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FAIR AND WARMER; FRESH SOUTH WINDS.

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THE WEATHER

Warmer weather is predicted for today and rain or snow for tomorrow by the Washington forecaster for Pittsburgh and vicinity. Yesterday's maximum temperature was 20 and the minimum 0.8 below zero, making it next to the coldest day this winter. The day was the coldest for the date in 20 years locally. The sun rose foggy at 7:25 and set smoky at 4:47 yesterday. The daily report, furnished by the local weather office, follows:

Time.	Baro.	Tem	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	29.69	1	100	N.	Foggy
8 p. m.	30.48	16	92	S E.	Smoky

Comparative temperature and precipitation January 5:

	1903	1902		1903	1902
Maximum	35	37	Mean	32	26
Minimum	28	16	Precipitation	.05	0

Temp., 8 p. m. 29 Defic. since Jan. 1. 81
Temp., 8 a. m. -1 Nor. prec., 31 yrs. .1o
Temperature 31 years ago 29 Precip for the day. .01
Mean, 31 years 29 Defic. for the day .00
Mean for day..... 19 Defic. since Jan. 1. .01

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Forecast:

Western Pennsylvania—Fair and warmer Wednesday; Thursday rain or snow, fresh southwest to south winds, becoming westerly.

Ohio—Fair and warmer Wednesday; Thursday, increasing cloudiness, fresh southwest winds becoming variable.

West Virginia—Fair and warmer Wednesday; Thursday fair.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

Kansas City	34 Clear	Washington	34 Clear
Oklahoma	40 Clear	Indianapolis	20 Clear
Chicago	22 PtCldy	Philadelphia	34 Clear
Omaha	30 PtCldy	Cleveland	34 Clear
Amarillo	50 Clear	Buffalo	34 Clear
Galveston	44 Clear	Huron	34 Clear
St. Louis	30 Clear	St. Paul	34 Clear
Memphis	36 Clear	Bismarck	4 Clear
Cincinnati	32 Clear	New Orleans	40 Clear
El Paso	34 Clear	Denver	32 Cloudy
New York	30 Clear	Salt Lake	28 Cloudy

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

NIXON—"The Prince of Pilsen," musical comedy, 8:15 p. m.

ALVIN—Payton Robertson and Gertrude Elliott in "The Light That Failed," 8:15 p. m.

NEW GRAND—The Christmas Pantomime, "Babes in the Woods," 2 and 8 p. m.

AVENUE—Henry Lee and vaudeville, continuous performance, 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.

EMPIRE—"Hotty Totty," Weber & Fields' musical extravaganza, 2:15 and 8 p. m.

DUQUESNE—James N. Hackett in "The Crown Prince," 8 p. m.

BIJOU—"A Desperate Chance," melodrama, 2 and 8 p. m.

ACADEMY—The Dolphins in variety and burlesque, 2 and 7:30 p. m.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Skating afternoon and evening.

Atlantic States Benumbed by Coldest Weather in Many Years.

TRAFFIC IS IMPEDED

Pennsylvania Suffers Severely from the Drop in Temperature.

RELIEF IS NOW IN SIGHT

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Jan. 5.

Cold weather records for the North and Central Atlantic states were broken yesterday, and from Maine to Virginia and as far west as Indiana a blizzard of almost unsurpassed severity has blanketed this territory in ice, snow and zero temperature. From 40 to 44 degrees below zero is reported at many places, and traffic and business is almost at stagnation's point from Philadelphia to Boston.

Weather bureau advices announce warmer temperature for tomorrow, but it is feared that several more days of zero weather must be endured before the normal winter temperature is again reached. So far only one fatality has been reported. William Patterson was frozen to death near North Webster, Mass. last night. Thermometers in Orange, Mass., burst last night at 50 below zero. Athol and Truly, Mass., both report 44 degrees below. At Rutland, Vt., the mercury dropped to 45 below and the public schools had to be dismissed.

Grows Less Biting.

The cold wave began to take its leave soon after noon and by 2 o'clock the mercury had risen to 10 above zero and at 6 o'clock to 11, falling again at 11 o'clock to 8. The indications are that there will be a considerable rise in the temperature tomorrow, probably accompanied by snow.

During the day the firemen were called out more than 50 times to fight fires in various sections of Manhattan and the Bronx. They suffered greatly from exposure and were hampered in their work by bursting hose and frozen hydrants.

The hospitals were called upon during the day to treat many cases of exposure and frost bite. Among the sufferers was Street Cleaning Commissioner Woodbury, who had his face and fingers frost bitten while superintending the work of snow removal.

In the early evening the delays of incoming trains continued. On every line coming into the Grand Central depot the trains were late from 10 minutes to seven hours. The latter extreme was reached by the Lake Shore limited of the New York Central, which was due at 6:30, but was not expected to get in until 1:30 in the morning.

Coldest in Many Years.

For the first time in 20 years the eastern and western passages of Narragansett bay are closed by the ice and about 50 vessels are now held in the great frozen sea. The lightship at Nantucket has drifted two miles from its station.

Dispatches from every section of the state tell of record-breaking cold weather. At a number of points the thermometers marked 20 to 30 degrees below zero at dawn today. The coldest weather in

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THIS STATE IS FIRMLY IN BLIZZARD'S GRASP

Following is the minimum temperature yesterday at the towns named, with the temperature at 8 o'clock last night:

Town.	Min.	8 p. m.
Scranton	18 below	5 below
Wilkesbarre	13 below	1 below
Lancaster	1 below	12 above
Harrisburg	6 below	7 above
York	13 below	9 above
Williamsport	17 below	Zero
Altoona	19 below	3 below
Johnstown	15 below	8 above

CZAR'S REPLY IS PACIFIC

Makes Concessions and Hopes Japan Will Accept Proposals.

NEUTRAL TERRITORY

Principal Difference Is Russian Desire for Buffer Zone North of Korea.

U. S. CABINET CONSIDERS.

JAPS READY TO LAND

CHEFOO, Jan. 5.—(Special Cable.)—Eight thousand Japanese are reported ready to land at Masampho. Their landing probably means war. A regiment of Cossacks is expected at Port Arthur, and reserves are being moved from Blagovestchensk to Tsitihar. The position of the troops in Manchuria is being rearranged, but their location is being kept secret. Stores are accumulating at Port Arthur and the military telegraph wires are being run in all directions. There is greatly increased vigilance among the port officials and military. Meanwhile the utmost gaiety prevails with balls, masquerades and theatricals.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—Russia has replied to Japan. Russia has made great concessions and hopes her proposals will prove acceptable to Japan.

The foreign office said today that instructions had been sent to Viceroy Alexieff, on which the reply was based. The latter was drawn up in the most conciliatory spirit. Some of the Japanese proposals were accepted, while others were made the subject of extended observations and were met by counter proposals.

There are strong hopes in many circles that on Thursday next, the Russian Christmas, the czar may be able to announce that peace is assured.

A semi-official dispatch to a news agency from Vladivostock and private information from Mukden state that, owing to disturbances between the Koreans and the Japanese in Korea, the Russian Second Rifle regiment, at its full strength, has been dispatched to Korea in order to protect Russian interests there.

Reply Not Received.

TOKYO, Jan. 5.—The Russian reply to Japan has not yet been received.

It is reported from Vladivostock that the Russian squadron there is preparing for action.

An extra edition of the Official Gazette has been issued, containing army and navy orders, prohibiting the publication of any reports of the movements of troops or vessels from this time on. Otherwise the Japanese authorities are not interfering with press messages.

According to another report a Russian cruiser has left Port Arthur with a small military force on board. Its destination is unknown, but is probably bound for Chemulpo, Korea.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The statement made by the foreign office at St. Petersburg today regarding the instructions sent to Viceroy Alexieff was communicated to the British foreign office and to the Japanese legation here. They both expressed pleasure at the fact that Russia had evidenced such a friendly attitude, but they said no definite conclusions could be drawn until the nature of the counter proposals was known. The proposals admitted of no counter proposals and said that if serious points were included among those accepted there would be a possibility of reaching a settlement by further negotiations.

The Korean charge says Korea would never agree to a neutral zone.

PARIS, Jan. 5.—It developed today that the greatest difference between Russia and Japan arises from the proposal made by Russia that a neutral zone shall be established extending from Ping-Yang

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Keeping Us Moving.

U. S. MARINES NOW AT SEOUL

Are Ready to Protect Legation Against Imminent Uprising of Korean Soldiers.

OUTLOOK REPORTED SERIOUS

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 5.

American blue jackets have entered Seoul, the capital of Korea, to protect the American legation from the dire consequences of an imminent uprising of Korean soldiery, which may easily prove the spark to explode the highly charged Russo-Japanese situation into war. One hundred American marines are held at Chemulpo, the port of Korea, to be rushed to Seoul when the outbreak comes. The Washington government fears the worst, although few details have been received here. It is believed the uprising is directed toward the overthrow of the emperor of Korea, and that Russian and Japanese influences will play important parts in impending events is assumed certain. From Commander Marshall, of the Vicksburg, which was rushed to Chemulpo two weeks ago when Minister Allen scented trouble, two cablegrams were received by the navy department today. The first which was dated January 4, said in part, the navy department withholding some of it:

"After consultation with American minister, we are of the same opinion that the aspect of affairs is very grave at Seoul. There is much fear of riot by Korean soldiers. I have completed arrangements to send the company of marines overland by railroad at the critical moment, also about 35 men and field gun from this vessel at Chemulpo, if deemed necessary."

The marine force arrived at Chemulpo two days ago on the naval transport Zafir.

The second, dated today, said: "Two officers and 36 men left at 10 a. m. for Seoul. The remainder of the guard is prepared for my demand. There is little change in the situation."

Rioting in Korea will bring into action not only American blue jackets, but a force from a British ship which is now at Chemulpo and the marine guards of both the Russian and Japanese legations.

SEOUL, KOREA, Jan. 6.—A detachment of 85 marines from the United States steamer Vicksburg, now laying at Chemulpo, arrived here yesterday, a guard for the American legation. Another body of 70 marines will arrive tomorrow. The United States transport Zaphire is also at Chemulpo, where Russia, Japan and Great Britain have each one man-of-war. Quiet prevails here, but the palace is heavily guarded by the Korean army. The movements of the Japanese troops and fleet are unknown here. The attitude of the Korean government is unchanged. Solicitude is shown as to what may happen on the arrival of Japanese troops.

WANT THEIR PUBLICATION MAILED WITHOUT STAMPS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Russell L. Mitchell of Pittsburgh, president of the Associated Publishers of Commercial Periodicals, came to Washington today in the interest of legislation which that organization desires. This is a national institution, including in its membership such concerns as the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, Logan Gregg Hardware Company, the Pittsburgh Dry Goods Company, W. G. Johnston & Co., and equally representative manufacturing and mercantile establishments all over the country. They issue "House Organs" to the aggregate number of millions monthly and desire to secure the privilege of mailing their publications in bulk without affixing stamps.

POUNCED UPON RUSSIAN JEWS

Anti-Semites Could Not Await Day Set for Kishineff Massacre.

KNOCKED DOWN IN STREET

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

London, Jan. 5.—Two days in advance of the date set for a general anti-Semitic massacre, the Jew-hating populace of Kishineff burst all bounds today, according to dispatches from Russia, and for a time a repetition of the terrible carnage of last summer was threatened. With the suppression of the riot by the police there has come a calm, which it is feared, only presages a yet more violent outbreak.

It is believed that the massacre will occur on January 7, the Russian Christmas, as originally planned, in spite of half-hearted government attempts to prevent it.

As long as there was a Jew on the street the rioting continued. Finally, when all the Jews had been driven to the shelter of their houses, some of them being pursued even to cellars, the police in the ghetto district were aroused to action. They dispersed the mob with little difficulty, preventing the Russian Jew baiters from firing the houses and destroying other property.

Today's hostile demonstration against the Jews came as a surprise. The Jewish residents of Kishineff, according to dispatches, had been assured that they would be protected. They had been in great fear for days, but had grown bolder, under assurances of official care, although it was apparent that the anti-Jewish feeling was only smouldering.

Early today some Jewish residents of Kishineff were attacked on the street. The news spread quickly, and the rabid feeling of the mob against the Jews broke out. A mob surged toward the ghetto, where Jews were knocked down and trampled upon in the streets. Rocks and other missiles were thrown through windows of houses, clubs were used, and other forms of violence indulged in.

The news of today's riot convinces the Jews here that their brethren in Kishineff are in terrible danger, despite alleged official reassurances from St. Petersburg. There is no doubt, apparently, that no matter what steps officials have taken, their acts are more surface indications, made for show, and that there is no real desire on the part of the government to afford protection to the lives and property of the Jews.

HIGHEST DEATH RATE.

Pittsburgh Leads the Mortality List in Typhoid Fever Cases in 1901.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Pittsburgh's death rate from typhoid fever in 1901 was the highest of any city in the country, and Allegheny held second place. This is shown from the latest report of the public health and marine hospital service. This report contains a table on death rates from typhoid fever in American cities in 1901, showing the rate per 100,000 persons in cities of 50,000 or over.

Pittsburgh leads the list with a death rate of 124 and Allegheny is second with a rate of 100. New Haven, Conn., is third, with 92. The lowest city in the list of 69 is Savannah, with a rate of 9.7.

L. W. STRAYER.

National Lottery for Cuba.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—It looks as though a national lottery would soon be established in Cuba. Acting Secretary of State Loomis today received from Havana a dispatch stating that the Cuban house of representatives had just passed a lottery bill by a vote of 26 to 13.

LODGE WELCOMES GROVER'S BOOM

Cleveland on a Colombian Platform Would Make Republicans Happy.

SENATOR SPEAKS IN SENATE

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 5.

Grover Cleveland's new boom for the Democratic nomination for president, started in New York by former Secretary Olney last night, was warmly welcomed by Senator Lodge today.

Practically the entire session of the senate today was devoted to a speech by Mr. Lodge on the situation on the Isthmus of Panama. He discussed the abstract question of the right of the president to recognize the independence of a new nation and concluded that such a prerogative pertains exclusively to the office of the chief executive. He also contended that there had been a general expectation of an uprising in Panama in case of the failure of the Hay-Herran treaty and declared that the president could not have done less than inform himself of the prospect.

Mr. Lodge argued that our intervention in Panama had been only in the interest of peace and contended that the president had not gone a step beyond what the proprieties called for. The conclusion of the speech was devoted to the political aspect of the question, and to that connection he referred to the speeches made at the Democratic banquet in New York last night.

Mr. Lodge criticized the presidential administration of Mr. Cleveland, saying that he did not think anything could be "happier for the Republicans than to have the Democrats nominate the last Democratic reform president on a policy of sustaining Colombia and opposing the United States in digging a canal in Panama."

Mr. Lodge declared the question involved to be an American question and one in which the whole American people are deeply interested. The canal, he said, gives us an interest in the Isthmus which cannot be overestimated. It gives us practically a continuous coast from Colombia to Maine, and he did not believe Colombia should stand across the pathway of the progress of the world. The question, he said, is neither partisan nor sectional, and in his opinion all persons should unite in sustaining the course that had been pursued.

The privileged resolution proposed by Mr. Hay of Virginia providing for an investigation of certain statements in the Bristow postoffice report reflecting on the membership of the house, today was referred to the committee on postoffices and postroads on motion of Mr. Payne of New York, the majority leader. Eight Republicans voted with the minority on Mr. Hay's motion to order the previous question, which was lost. Three Republicans voted with the Democratic minority against the motion to refer. The president's message relative to Panama and the canal was read in the house, receiving applause on the Republican side.

Appendicitis Club Formed at McKeesport.

An "Appendicitis club" is the latest social organization formed in McKeesport. No one is eligible to membership unless he has suffered from the malady. Charles Baird, former ordinance officer of McKeesport, is president of the club. A reception will be held on Washington's birthday.

INCREASED WIRE EXPORTS FROM PITTSBURGH MILLS

More Than Ten Thousand Tons Are Sent Abroad During December.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Somewhat more than 10,000 tons of wire, wire nails and pipe were exported through New York and other eastern seaboard points last month by the American Steel & Wire Company and the National Tube Company, branches of the United States Steel Corporation, from their plants in Pittsburgh and vicinity.

The December shipments show an increase of more than 27 per cent when compared with similar consignments made in November. The wire consignments sent abroad during December aggregated 6,878 tons, while 3,104 tons was the aggregate for the previous month. The wire nail exports last month aggregated 1,549 tons. The pipe exports last month aggregated 2,120 tons.

SENATOR HANNA SAYS PRESIDENT IS RIGHT

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—"The president's position on the Panama question cannot be successfully attacked. His statement of the situation is clear and he is right." This was the sum total of Senator Hanna's talking for publication today. As chairman of the Republican national committee, Senator Hanna came here to consult with Harry S. New, national committeeman from Indiana, and local leaders regarding the arrangements for the coming national convention.

AMERICANS WERE NOT IN DANGER IN BOGOTA

Minister Beaupre Says He Left Colombia Because He Needed Rest.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Arthur M. Beaupre, United States minister to Colombia, and Mrs. Beaupre arrived in this city today from Bogota, on the steamer Yucatan. He is to leave for Washington tomorrow, where he is to meet President Roosevelt. He says there are not more than a dozen Americans in Bogota, that at no time was there any danger from Colombian patriots, and that his object in coming north is to get a much needed rest.

The Colombian government gave the minister a military escort from Bogota to Cartagena, because of the fact that many guerillas are to be found on the road to Ronda, and it did not want the party robbed. From Washington the minister intends to go to his home in Chicago and thence to Florida. He pronounced the message of President Roosevelt on the Panama question as "a strong and genuine article."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Philippe Bunau-Varilla, the minister from Panama and the joint signer with Secretary Hay of the Hay-Bunau-Varilla treaty, will resign his office after the exchange of ratifications of the treaty between the Washington and Pan-American governments. It is said his successor will be Mr. Arosmena, a prominent lawyer of Panama, whose son is secretary of the legation here. M. Bunau-Varilla probably will go to Paris after his resignation.

NO DIVIDEND ON COMMON

Steel Corporation Directors Vote 1¾ Quarterly Dividend on Preferred.

GOOD TIMES TO COME

Morgan, Rockefeller, Schwab at the Meeting Which Hears Report of Earnings.

DECEMBER WAS A BAD MONTH

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Jan. 5.

Regarding United States Steel common the expected happened. At a meeting of the directors of the United States Steel Corporations this afternoon at 70 Broadway, the dividend for the quarter ending December 31 was passed. A dividend of 1¾ per cent was declared on the preferred stock, payable February 15. The net earnings for the quarter were $14,845,043.

Among the directors present were J. P. Morgan, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Daniel G. Reid, Judge W. H. Moore, Clement A. Griscom, Charles Steele, Charles M. Schwab and Mr. Ellenborn.

In a statement issued after the meeting the net earnings for October last were given as $7,675,141, as compared with $12,652,767 for October in 1902. For November last net earnings were $4,069,901, as compared with $13,686,906 for November, 1902, and for December last the net earnings (estimated) were $3,100,000 as compared with $8,646,146 for December, 1902. The total earnings for 1903 were $135,208,763.

During the year there was appropriated for the following purposes: Sinking fund on bonds of subsidiary companies, $1,350,252; depreciation and extinguishment funds (regular provisions for the year) $9,194,715; special fund for depreciation, improvements and construction, $10,000,000, making a total of $25,270,187, as compared with $24,774,859 for last year. The balance of net earnings for the year is $83,708,825 as compared with $108,534,374 for 1902. From this net earnings balance is to be deducted the interest on United States Steel Corporation bonds for the year, amounting to $19,068,915, and sinking funds on United States Steel Corporation for the year of $2,769,540, making a total of $22,804,445 as compared with $18,227,859 on the same item in 1902, thus leaving a balance of $60,-824,380, less the item charged for depreciation in inventory valuations and for adjustment of sundry accounts (estimated $3,750,000. There is left a balance available for dividends of $57,074,380, dividend balance for 1902 was $90,306,524.

In dividends for the year on stocks of the United States Steel were paid out a total of $43,111,735. The undivided profits or surplus for the year is $11,962,645 as compared with $34,233,617. Unfilled orders on hand December 31 last, 5,215,128 tons; unfilled orders on hand December 31, 1902, 5,547,253 tons.

Officials of the corporation after the meeting said that the earnings for the current quarter will be much better and that the December quarter will be found to have been the worst in a long series of coming years.

The meeting this afternoon occupied only 15 or 20 minutes, and after it was over none present had anything to say.

Stock of the Steel Corporation is divided among about 160,000 shareholders, of whom it is estimated that 80,000 hold common.

For nine quarters the common stock of the corporation paid a dividend of 5 per cent per annum. At the meeting in October last the quarterly dividend was reduced to 50 cents a share, or one-half of 1 per cent, and at that time it was generally taken for granted that the dividend then declared, and which was paid to stockholders last Wednesday, was the last which the corporation would pay on the common stock.

As the date for today's meeting approached the expected action of the directors were reflected in the trading in the dividends on the Broad street curb. A week ago the dividend sold for 15 cents a share and since that time advanced to 22. This morning, however, the dividend sold at 14 cents a share and all bids were supplied. Sales were made at eight cents and seven cents a share just before the close and lots were offered at odds of three to one that nothing would be declared on the common stock.

G. C. Miller, the specialist in Union Pacific was the heaviest buyer in the early trading in Wall street, taking 5,000 shares.

The preferred stock opened at 93½, a decline of ⅝ from yesterday's closing, and advanced to 97 in the early afternoon. After reaching that price it remained quiet during the rest of the day. The common stock was comparatively neglected, ranging around 11½.

FRANK A. PARKER.

NUN NEAR DEATH.

A Negro, at Wheeling, Indicted for Assault and the Others for Burglary.

WHEELING, Jan. 5.—True bills indicting Flam Honaker, who assaulted a Sister of Charity at the Elm Grove convent were returned by the grand jury today. Honaker is indicted on two counts, one charging burglary and the other assault. His accomplices, Thomas Eastes and Samuel Lucas, all colored, are indicted for burglary alone.

The indictment of Honaker on the special charge is the first official announcement that the intent was assault. The penalty is 20 years imprisonment, but sentence will be suspended, pending result of the illness of his victim, who is now at death's door.

Suicide Clause In Insurance Policies Void

COLUMBUS, Jan. 5.—The supreme court today decided two cases involving the suicide clause in life insurance policies, holding that such restrictions are void. Judgment is given against two companies in a case where the insured committed suicide within two months after taking out the policies.

FEEBLE STORY WAS RIDDLED

Men Now Under Arrest Try to Cover Facts in Theater Horror.

SKYLIGHTS FASTENED

Gross Negligence Upon Part of Those in Authority Is Now Charged.

FIRST SUIT HAS BEEN FILED

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

Chicago, Jan. 5.—The special committee composed of members of the city council appointed last night to investigate the condition of the local theaters and to report upon what alterations are necessary to make them conform to the building ordinances, held its first meeting today.

According to the statement of Alderman Friestedt it is doubtful if 75 per cent of the theaters ever reopen. Strict adherence to the building laws would require every one of the playhouses in the city to be of fireproof construction, and this would require the rebuilding of the majority.

Late this afternoon the attorneys of the fire department caused the arrest of four employes of the Fuller Construction Company, David Jones, a masonry foreman, and Angus McKay, Otto Rausch and John Kinnucan, iron workers. Attorneys for the Fuller Company took Jones, who had been sought by the police for several days, to the fire headquarters.

Ventilators Tied Down.

It had been charged that Jones and his men broke the skylights on the theater after the fire in order to destroy possible evidence. It developed today after the arrest of Jones and his men that the skylights were blocked by scantlings and tied with wire to prevent their opening and that neither of them had been opened since the theater was built. Jones, in making his statement to the fire department, said:

"I took the three iron workers with me through an adjoining building, and out upon the theater roof, over the stage. First I removed the wooden scantlings which blocked the skylights. Then I found the lights tied with wire inside and broke two panes of glass to get at the wires to untie them. I finally got the wires off and opened the lights."

Jones was asked why he went to the roof of the theater, and replied that he had been told that the north wall had been cracked by the fire and would fall. This was true. He declared he had opened the skylights because he feared a panic might fall and injure somebody on the stage.

Jones' Story Dubious.

"Why did you take three ironworkers with you to inspect a brick wall?" asked Attorney Fulkerson of the fire department. Jones was confused but finally answered that the men went with him through curiosity. He admitted the iron workers helped him open the skylights and worked with him about the roof for half an hour.

Although he said he went to the theater of his own accord, he admitted he should have been in another building where he had been working. When asked how he was going to explain to the company that employed him, why he had taken three of their employes and kept them with him for practically an hour in order to satisfy his curiosity, Jones could make no satisfactory reply.

When pressed for an answer, Jones said that the men were not employes of the Fuller company, but men he had met on the street. He denied he used any tools in forcing open the skylights, but this statement was refuted by George Mueller, who witnessed the breaking of the skylights from an adjoining building. Mueller declared the men were use of a crowbar and a hammer. Numerous witnesses who were in adjoining buildings overlooking the theater asserted the skylights were not open during the fire.

Inquest on Thursday.

Coroner Traeger said tonight he was almost ready for the inquest, which will commence Thursday morning. "I wish it understood," he said, "this is not a trial, but simply an inquest to determine the facts of the fire as far as we can.

"The coroner's jury will not attempt to fix the blame of the fire upon anybody, nor will it recommend the punishment of anybody. It will simply report on the facts as it has been able to gather them, and the rest of the work will be left for the state's attorney. If it is found there is anything for him to do."

According to the managers of the local theaters the closing of the playhouses in this city has disarranged the theatrical business of the entire country. Companies that have been booked for this city for the next fortnight are either suspended or they are being sent to other cities, thus forcing other companies to change their routes.

Life insurance companies object to the statement of the coroner that no verdict will be rendered after the inquest, claiming that large sums of money in insurance on the lives of those who perished in the theater fire depend for their payment on the verdict of the coroner's jury. Attorneys for the relatives of those who died declare that a verdict should be given in each particular case of death in order that collection of insurance may be possible.

Warning Unheeded.

Evidence showing grosser criminal negligence than anything previously developed was given under oath today. Joseph Dougherty, who had charge of the curtain, swore that two weeks ago during a matinee performance there was a fire on the stage and that when he attempted to lower the asbestic curtain it was stopped by the ropes obstructing that prevented its operation last Wednesday—a five-foot plank upon which he operated, the "spot sight."

The curtain manager declares he protested at that time, but no attention was paid to his warning. In his opinion, if

the curtain had been run down during the first matinee, the lives of many, if not all, the victims of the disaster might have been saved. It was only by the merest chance that a panic was averted as the result of the first fire. The skylight at that time, he said, was securely closed.

The first damage suit against the proprietors of the Iroquois theater and the city of Chicago, growing out of the fire, has been filed by Ivy Owens, as administrator of the estates of Miss Amy Owens and Mrs. Frances E. Owens, her mother.

The action is for the recovery of $10,000 damages, and is directed against the Iroquois Theater Company, the city of Chicago and Will J. Davis and Harry J. Powers, managers of the theater. Miss Owens was a teacher in the Curtis public school.

The fire of the Iroquois theater site as a memorial through the erection of a suitable church or memorial building to replace the present smeared, scarred structure was suggested today. The idea is to emulate the people of Vienna, who, in memory of the 800 lives lost in the Ringstrasse theater, in 1881, have erected a magnificent church on its site.

The fire claimed a fresh victim today, making the total number of deaths 601. Miss Josephine Spence was one of those severely burned during the fire. She was found by relatives and taken to her home, where she died today.

Congress Acts on Fire Horror.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Through a resolution in the senate demanding a full examination of all theaters in Washington and a resolution in the house expressing sympathy for the Chicago sufferers, congress today gave prompt official attention to the Chicago theater fire horror.

GRUESOME AFFAIR WAS THE MEDICAL BANQUET

Nevertheless Physicians Managed to Make the Evening at the Union Club Enjoyable.

With all conceivable accompaniments of a gruesome and awe-inspiring character the annual dinner of the Pittsburgh Academy of Medicine was celebrated at the Union club, in the Frick building, last evening. The decorations were mainly done in skulls and other parts of human beings and under the green glimmer of electric rays through the sockets of a skull, snakes crawled over the vast table. While in the center was a fish pond, in which real fish swam about. About 60 persons were present.

The academy had as its special honor guests two out-of-town surgeons, Drs. William J. Mayo of Rochester, Minn., and Dr. Albert J. Ochsner, professor of surgery in the Lake Forest university, Chicago. At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon a reception was held at the academy's apartments in Sixth avenue to which the members of the Allegheny County Medical association were invited.

The address of the president, Dr. Lawrence Litchfield, was heard, and talks were given by the honor guests, while other speeches, not so serious, were also delivered.

The committee in charge of the arrangements were Drs. William Reckel, James Ewing and Walter Day.

93 DIE OF FEVER.

Catholic Priests Attend Services at Butler for the Late Father Walsh.

BUTLER, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Typhoid fever claimed its 93rd victim this evening. Miss Annie Purvis, daughter of Samuel Purvis, Sr., of S. C. Purvis & Company, died this evening at the family home on West Pearl street. Miss Purvis was a member of the United Presbyterian church. No meeting of the executive committee was held this evening. A petition signed by several auntiers was laid before the borough [illegible] that a resolution be [illegible] submitting to the people at the [illegible] election the proposition of selling [illegible] as a city of the third [illegible] was carried laying the matter on the table. The movement for a city charter is declared by some to be an indirect blow at the Butler Water Company.

Contributions were received on January 4 and 5 to the relief fund as follows: Citizens of Allegheny, $287; citizens of Clarion, $140; citizens of Cambridge Springs, $50; citizens of Braddock, $225; Christ Presbyterian church, Lebanon, $100; churches of Kittanning, $10; George W. McMullen & Company, Pittsburgh, $50; Pittsburg Steel Company, New York, $100; R. A. Hutchison, Clintonville, $25; James B. Sipe & Company, Pittsburgh, $5; Presbyterian church, Avonmore, $12; J. B. Sherman, $25; Lyon, Cloak and Suit Company, New York, $250; A. B. Woods of the Equitable Life Insurance Company, Pittsburgh, $100.

A large number of Catholic priests from throughout the Pittsburgh diocese were in Butler today attending a month's mind for Rev. Daniel Walsh, who was buried December 5.

THREATENED TO SHOOT.

Civil Engineer Fined on Evidence Given by Two Women.

John G. Trimble, who was arrested for having threatened to kill Anna Wilson at Fifth avenue and Wood street Monday night, was fined $25 and costs yesterday morning by Police Magistrate T. M. Hunter.

Trimble, the Wilson woman and her sister Jessie, said their homes were in Carnegie. Anna Wilson testified that Trimble met them in Fifth avenue and wanted them to remain in the city. When they refused he grabbed the arm of her sister and dragged her down the street. She ordered Trimble to release Jessie, and Trimble said he would kill her if she interfered. Jessie confirmed this story.

Trimble is a member of the firm of Trimble & Miller, civil engineers.

WANT THE BOULEVARD.

Street Railway Company Asks Charter to Build on Thoroughfare.

Application for a charter for the "Grant Street and Liberty Avenue Street Railway Company," to build along the Grant boulevard from Fountain street to Center avenue, has been made at Harrisburg, the incorporators being W. O. Anderson, T. Booth and A. P. Wolfinger.

These men are unknown here and are supposed to be subordinates whose names are used for the purpose of concealing the identity of the promoters. It was denied last evening that the Hall syndicate has any desire to build a line on the boulevard or is backing the application for such a charter.

Down-Town Mission Ablaze.

The third floor of the Liberty avenue mission, at 310 Liberty avenue, was found to be on fire at 5 o'clock last night and an alarm was sent in. A ceiling and the roof were well burned, entailing about $800 damage. Before the alarm box was removed from the box Joseph Bowers set it two hours later and pulled the box a second time.

SPIRITED BIDDING.

The McMahon Stock Sold by the Receiver.

ARNFELDS THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS.

Almost every prominent clothing house in town was represented at the receiver's sale of the McMahon stock of clothing, hats and furnishing goods last Thursday afternoon at 1114-1116 Penn avenue.

After some very lively and spirited bidding the entire stock, together with the fixtures and leases, were bought by M. Arnfeld & Sons, the Penn avenue clothiers, at about 55c on the dollar.

The stock will be moved to the Arnfeld stores, which are directly across the street, in the course of the next few days.

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TWENTIETH WARD DEAL MEETS WITH VERY STRONG OPPOSITION

Chairman E. R. Walters Admits That He Has Written a Contract With Citizens.

TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT

Members of the Twentieth ward Republican committee fought for three hours last night over a deal some of the committeemen are trying to make with the Citizens party in the ward. No definite action was taken and the gathering adjourned until this evening.

The committeemen met in the Liberty school house. There were a few nonmembers present, but they made no attempt to take part in the proceedings. Ward Chairman E. R. Walters presided and admitted that a written agreement had been entered into with the Citizens party leaders of the ward. When asked to produce the document he said that Secretary Sidney Foster was the custodian of the paper and had failed to bring it with him. He promised that at a meeting later in the week more details would be given.

Blunt was made to put through a motion declaring null and void any deal entered into by the Citizens party. Every attempt to secure a roll call on this proposition failed. Many speeches were made on both sides of the question and there was much political linen brought out of the closet. Chairman Walters said that if the deal did not go through the Republicans could not carry the ward, as the Citizens would make a combination with the Democrats and Orphans. He also made the prediction that if the negotiations were declared off, a number of the members of the ward committee would be inactive during the February campaign.

The Only Test Vote.

The only test vote of the evening came on the assessment to be charged candidates entering the primaries. John H. Armstrong, the former police magistrate, was floor leader for the Walters faction. Armstrong made a motion fixing the assessment at $100 for select council, $50 for common council, $25 for school directors and $15 for assessors. Samuel P. Conner offered an amendment placing the charges at $60 for select, $30 for common and $15 for school director and assessor.

On a standing vote, the result was 21 to 21. A roll call was secured and the vote was the same, but the secretary had not called the name of William M. Benham, a member of the city committee, who is not a member of the ward committee. Under the rules he was clearly entitled to vote, but it took a long time for Chairman Walters to interpret the rule in that light. He finally ordered Benham's name called and the Conner amendment was adopted. The roll was not called again, although it was demanded in a parliamentary manner on numerous occasions.

Curtis M. Willock, a member of the committee, who has been suggested as a candidate for common council, started the discussion on the deal by asking Chairman Walters some pointed questions. He wanted to know if committees had not been appointed, without the authority of the ward committee, to confer with the Citizens. Walters said that the committee was named by the authority vested in the ward chairman and with the consent of the city committee.

Willock Outlines Deal.

Willock then proceeded to outline the deal as he understood it. He said that the plan is to name a Republican for select councilman, three Citizens for common councilmen and that the contract included one place on the ward committee, from each district, for the Citizens, and a division of the election boards. Another stipulation, according to Willock, was the raising of a $5,000 campaign fund by the Citizens to be handled by the Republican ward committee. He said that the agreement was in writing, and added: "I call upon the ward chairman to make a statement."

Walters—You are right in part.

Mr. Zugsmith—It was not very long ago that some men in this ward were willing to deal with the Orphans.

Chairman Walters—"It is true that I did appoint a committee, composed of Messrs. Zugsmith, Foster, Armstrong, Smith, Baldwin and myself. We met with the Citizens, at their request, and some of you are acquainted with the negotiations. They will have to be satisfactory to both sides. There is nothing in the articles of agreement about closing the campaign of the reorganization of the ward committee. The statement concerning the election boards is in a measure true. We now have two out of the 15 in the ward. Members of the committee are here, and if they wish to make a report they can."

Armstrong—"Nothing has been done which would bar anyone from entering the primaries. The men who win will go on the ticket."

Resolution Was Ruled Out.

U. G. Vogan offered a resolution allowing candidates to qualify at late as January 6. The candidate would have to pledge himself to abide by the decision of the primaries and satisfy the ward committee that he had supported the Republican ticket at the last election. The object of the resolution was to shut out the Citizens party men who will qualify as candidates in the Republican primaries.

Chairman Walters wanted to know what would become of the candidates who had already qualified. Armstrong raised the point that the meeting was called for the purpose of receiving the qualifications of candidates and that the time fixed by the suggestion meeting of Saturday night could not be extended by the ward committee. Armstrong and Walters both announced that a number of candidates had already qualified and it later developed that they were the men whose Vogan's resolution sought to keep out of the primaries. The resolution was declared out of order.

Fred Stonerod then made his motion to declare null and void any negotiations entered into with the Citizens party. On this motion, Chairman Walters said: "That takes a whole lot with it. We will not entertain any motion annulling any negotiations we have entered into with the Citizens party."

Willock Asks for Copy of Agreement.

Willock—"I ask the chairman to explain the full circumstances relative to the deal, and if the agreement is in writing, to produce it."

Chairman Walters—"It is in writing."

Willock—"Any deal put up to the chairman was put up to him by virtue of his office as ward chairman. The written agreement is then the property of the committee and I call upon him to produce it."

Chairman Walters—This meeting was not called to act upon the agreement, but full details will be given out at a meeting later in the week. Secretary Foster informs me that he does not have the agreement with him this evening.

Armstrong—The sole purpose of this meeting is to give the candidates an opportunity to qualify.

Willock—We can take up the business to-night. I desire to have the chairman rule whether or not we are to take up the agreement.

Chairman Walters—We are to take it up, but not tonight.

Willock—I appeal from the decision of the chair. Will you entertain my appeal.

There were cries for adjournment and Councilman Joseph C. Wasson said: "No, let us fight it out here tonight."

Chairman Walters—We will not. I have decided the matter.

Armstrong as a Parliamentarian.

Willock—I have appealed from your decision and any fair-minded chairman would call some one to the chair until the appeal is decided.

Armstrong was called to the chair. Willock argued that it was proper to bring up the agreement and Walters maintained that the meeting had been called for the sole purpose of receiving qualifications. Armstrong on a viva voce vote decided the appeal against Willock, and when the latter tried to have a roll call he was told by Armstrong to sit down, as he had already talked too much.

John H. Brown, who presided at the suggestion meeting, said that he had called the meeting of last night and no special business was specified in the call.

E. T. Moreland, who has been suggested as a candidate for common councilman, said that he was in a quandary about qualifying. "If the Twentieth ward is to be sold out, boots and breeches," said he, "I think that I would keep my money. If the deal is bona fide and sanctioned by the ward committee I am at loss to see why I should qualify. My name was suggested honestly and honorably and my intentions were to qualify."

Reed Gives Some Advice.

Capt. John A. Reed, who has been suggested as a candidate for school director, registered permission to make a statement. Among other things he said: "It isn't a question whether a fellow wins at the primaries, but on the 18th of February. You should not forget that the splendid Republican organization in the ward has fought over severe scrubbings. I think that the doors should be thrown open to the outsiders and allow them to return without entering into deals. Last June the Republican party was in the mire, but was pulled out and won a splendid victory in November. We should not think that the fighting is over. You must remember that you cannot hatch a deal and shove it down the throats of the intelligent people of this ward. If there are not enough brains and manhood in the Republican party of the Twentieth ward to manage its own affairs, then it is time to have a receiver appointed. The organization was never clothed with authority to make deals with any party."

Stonerod again insisted upon his motion declaring null and void the agreement. Chairman Walters said: "There has been an agreement entered into, but not for the purpose of helping ourselves, but for the best interests of the Republican party."

"The Republicans can not win in this ward, if they stand alone. The Orphan vote must be deducted from the Republican vote of last fall. The Citizens can get together with the Democrats and the Orphans can't hold together that none, and if you go single-handed you will not get a smell. If this agreement is broken off, you will have but half an organization. These negotiations have been sanctioned by the city chairman. While they have not been agreed upon unanimously, a majority vote controlled and the men have signed the contract. If you declare this agreement void, those men who signed it will not be found active in the February campaign. Nothing like a majority of the committee is in favor of the deal. Some of the candidates will have to be left off and I am sorry that there are not four select councilmen to be elected. We will all be together in the March primaries."

John I. Brown in discussing the deal aroused the ire of Zugsmith when City Chairman Leslie's name was mentioned. He cried out, "Leslie was opposed to the deal because his man was not put on the slate."

To this Councilman Wasson replied: "His man has qualified and will stand in the primaries."

Brown then warned Chairman Walters about angering the citizens of the ward and turning them against the ticket in February. This was Walters' reply:

"I think I could take the dirtiest bum in the ward and if I had the money I could win out in the election. That is the regard I have for the independent sentiment in the ward."

Armstrong Again in the Chair.

Chairman Walters allowed Stone od to appeal from his decision on the motion to declare void the agreement. Armstrong was called to the chair and Stonerod made an argument against a deal. During his speech he made reference to the $5,000 campaign fund and Walters rushed up to him insisting that the utterance be retracted. Stonerod said that if he had hurt the feelings of the chairman, he was sorry.

Armstrong again decided the appeal in favor of Walters and refused to allow the roll to be called.

The final tragedy came over an attempt by Armstrong to have a committee of five appointed to confer with the Citizens and fix up up a ticket. Walters tried to put the motion, but there was so much objection that he refrained.

Mr. Zugsmith said it was evident that the committee could not transact its business and moved an adjournment until tonight. There was no particular business specified. This proposition was agreed to with the understanding that the men for qualifying would not close until then.

The candidates who have qualified so far are, Walters, for select; and Gus. C. Kuhn, C. W. Helmold, G. W. Hammer and Joseph C. Wasson for common councilmen. According to those who are opposing the deal the slate consists of Walters, Kuhn, Helmold and Hammer. The qualified candidates for school directors are Dr. T. D. Davis, H. B. Smiting, T. M. Evans and for ward assessor, H. E. Holman.

CANDIDATE CHOSEN FOR THIRD DISTRICT

George A. Castor Receives Republican Nomination for Congress.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5.—George A. Castor was today nominated by the Republican convention of the Third congressional district to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Henry Burk. Mr. Castor is a member of the Republican city committee, the organization leader of his home ward, the Thirty-fifth, and one of independent means and very popular not only with commercial interests, but with active workers in politics.

The Republican senatorial convention of the Fourth district today named Jesse B. Shepard to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Senator John T. Harrison.

Insurance Commissioner Israel D. Durham is now at Silver City, N. M. He and his brother, Thomas Durham, Jr., will remain there for some weeks hunting and roughing it. It is probable that they will spend some time in the Sierra Mogollons, San Mateo, Mimbres and Black Range mountains, where game is very plentiful.

CHESTER D. POTTER.

GRADUATES WON.

Yale Varsity Seven Put Up a Very Poor Game of Hockey in New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Superior generalship enabled the Yale graduates' hockey team to accomplish a victory over the varsity seven of Yale in their annual match at the St. Nicholas rink tonight. The score was 4 goals to 2. The graduates might have made even a better record if they had been urged in the closing period. The team work of the varsity men was very poor. The lineup:

Graduates—4.		Yale—2.
Stearn	Goal	Beverly
Hitchcock	Point	Flynn
Brosson	Cover Point	Miller
Campbell	Forward	Bohr
Inman	Forward	Marcus
Stoddard	Forward	Cornell
Palmer	Forward	Rolfsen

Referee—Walter Stern, Columbia university.

WEAVER, THIRD VICTIM OF GAS FUMES STILL ALIVE

W. E. Weaver of Glassport, who was found unconscious in the home of Frank Cummins from effects of gas fumes, is still at the McKeesport hospital. Yesterday his condition was somewhat improved and hopes were expressed for his ultimate recovery. Arrangements have been made to send both Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Cummins, who died from the effects of the gas fumes. The bodies will be shipped to Indiana, where services will be held at the residence of Mrs. Julia A. Lewis, mother of Mrs. Cummins.

Deadlock in the Fourteenth.

An attempt made last night by the school board of the Oakland sub-district to elect a representative to the Central Board of Education was a failure. The incumbent, John Aitkenheide, is a candidate for re-election and has as an opponent Louis Conrad. The former is a Republican. Conrad has been affiliated with the Citizens party during the last two fights. Party politics played a conspicuous part last night and after nine ballots had been taken, with a dead-lock as a result, the meeting was adjourned.

Highwaymen at Woodville.

James Henderson of Woodville was held up early yesterday morning and robbed of a gold watch and $4 50 in money. Henderson is employed as a clerk in a Pittsburgh store and left the city late. It was after midnight when he left the car and he was within sight of home when two men held him up, one covering him with a revolver while the other went through his pockets.

WOODWARD GETS AN INDORSEMENT

Eighth Legislative District Association Will Support Him for Assemblyman.

COLEMAN STILL IN THE RACE

The Republican association of the Eighth legislative district last night indorsed James M. Woodward as candidate for assemblyman, at a large meeting held in Carnegie hall, Braddock. Woodward is superintendent of the McKeesport hospital. It was thought before the meeting that there would be considerable opposition to Woodward, as a number of candidates had announced themselves recently, but William A. Coleman of McKeesport will be the only candidate to enter the primaries with Woodward. Coleman refuses to quit and declared at the meeting last night that he was a candidate to the finish.

Attorney Harry W. McIntosh of Wilkinsburg, who was spoken of as a likely candidate, announced that he had no intention of entering the field, and Thomas Patch, who had aspirations, also withdrew. The meeting was presided over by Fred W. Edwards.

A suggestion meeting was held last night by the Republicans of the Thirty-third ward, at which Thomas Rodgers was named as a candidate for select council; Thomas Wallace, for common Corbly for assessor, and C. A. Leonard and W. J. Gourd to second aldermen. Samuel Reeder was suggested for judge of election and Morris Randall for inspector.

A ticket was made last night by the Citizens of the Seventeenth ward, when there is a lively fight between the Ferguson and Stewart factions. The following ticket was set up on condition that the candidates be approved at another meeting that is to be held within a few days: Select council, Hugh Ferguson; common council, Thomas McMahon and H. J. Werneberg; alderman, Harvey Hunt; assessor, J. M. Weist.

The Republican committee having authority to suggest candidates for the Nineteenth ward, held a meeting yesterday afternoon at Citizens' headquarters. The Independent Voters' league of the ward sent a committee to ask for representation on the ticket. No action was taken and none will be until tomorrow afternoon.

The Twenty-first ward Citizens have nominated Robert Porter and John [illegible] for common councilmen. A committee was named to confer with other [illegible] about filling the balance of the ticket.

ALLEGHENY SUGGESTIONS.

Names of Republicans Brought Forward as Candidates for Ward Offices.

At meetings held by the Republicans in a number of wards in Allegheny the following were suggested for ward offices:

Fifth ward—School directors, George W. Wilson, Charles F. Keifer; ward assessor, Harry C. Steleford.

Sixth ward—School directors (three to elect), John C. Kaiser, William V. Taylor, Ulrich Venning, John Helsch, Herman Young; Jacob Conrad; ward assessor, Jacob Mertz.

Eighth ward—School directors (two to elect), William Gibson, Henry Craig; ward assessor, George Wolff.

Tenth ward—School directors (two to elect), John McNaughe; Henry Lahrey; ward assessor, George Corley.

Eleventh ward—School directors (two to elect), William T. Bradberry, Henry R. Phillips; ward assessor, L. W. Morrow, Philip Newhart.

Twelfth ward—School directors (two to elect), Thomas Saville, Jacob Leisinger; ward assessor, John B. Phillips.

Fourteenth ward—School director, William Formof, C. C. Greenawalt; ward assessor, August Miller.

Fifteenth ward—School director, Charles H. Craig, F. A. Beckert.

CHRISTIAN H. WANNER HAS PASSED AWAY

Prominent Real Estate Broker Died Early This Morning at His Home in Aspinwall.

Christian H. Wanner, one of the best-known real estate brokers in Fourth avenue, died at his residence in Center avenue, Aspinwall, at 12:05 o'clock this morning, of typhoid fever, after an illness of two weeks. Mr. Wanner was engaged in business in Pittsburgh for many years and was well known throughout this section, especially among real estate dealers and investors.

Mr. Wanner was head of the C. H. Wanner Company, with offices in the Times building, and the president of the Wanner Land Company of Monongahela, Pa. He was also a large property holder in Aspinwall and that locality. He was born in Sharpsburg 40 years ago, and had been a resident of that vicinity all his life. About four years ago he removed to Aspinwall. He married Miss Ida Manns of Pittsburgh 20 years ago, and she, with five children, survives, as do his parents, who resided at the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia; Mrs. Caroline Diss, wife of W. C. Diss of Aspinwall; W. C., Christian H., Jr., and Misses Ida and Lela, at home. He is also survived by three brothers, George Wanner, of the Wanner department store, Sharpsburg; J. C. and John M., the latter of the C. H. Wanner Company, and by five sisters Mrs. A. G. Sorell, Mrs. Maggie Kay and Mrs. Emma Hoffmeister, all of the West End; and Mrs. Carrie Reid of Sharpsburg.

Mr. Wanner was active in fraternal organizations, being a member of lodge 448, Masons, Allegheny chapter, 217; Pittsburgh commandery No. 1, Knights Templar; the Shriners, Pittsburgh Aviarium and Dr. J. A. M. He was also an active worker in the Sharpsburg Methodist Episcopal church, of which he was a trustee.

FLEECED FOREIGNERS.

Alleged Croatian Bankers Secure $4,000 and Leave Without Notice to Depositors.

Two Croatians who opened a foreign banking office in East Pittsburgh about two weeks ago are badly wanted by many of the foreign population of that borough. It is claimed that the Croatians succeeded in getting the foreigners to deposit about $4,000 in the new bank, and that yesterday they left town without notice, taking the money with them.

About 150 Slavs and Hungarians learned of the flight of the alleged bankers last night and most of the depositors crowded about the office in Linden avenue and clamored for their money. They allege that the bankers, who on settling in East Pittsburgh, gave their names as Milian Sterkowiez and John Ribowitz, left from Butler with several thousand dollars belonging to foreigners there.

The Croatians on opening the East Pittsburgh office, named it the Bond Exchange bank. The Slavs and Hungarians who claim to have deposited from $10 to $600 in the bank say they were to receive 10 to 20 per cent. Dike Babic before Justice James Beech made an information charging Sterkowiez and Ribowitz with embezzling $400, which he alleges he deposited with them to invest for him.

Some of the foreigners allege they were promised positions on the borough police force on payment of $50 each, and those who paid $10 were to be given laboring jobs. Merchants of the borough also allege the Croatians purchased clothing and other articles on credit and never paid for the goods.

Van Hoose to Be Soloist.

The Pittsburgh orchestra will begin the second half of its season concerts this week. The program includes the "Unfinished" symphony by Schubert and an orchestral suite by Fritz Scheibere. A member of the orchestra, Mr. Van Hoose, the soloist, one of the best American tenors, will appear this week in a new aria by Massenet and in two songs by Beethoven and Richard Strauss. He will go to Monte Carlo next month to sing with Melba.

SLEIGHS STRUCK BY STREET CAR

Robert G. Gillespie's Coachman Knocked from His Master's Cutter and Hurt.

TWO SIMILAR ACCIDENTS

John Estes, the negro coachman of Robert G. Gillespie, the oil operator, was knocked from a cutter by a street car last night and seriously injured. He was removed to the Mercy hospital where it was said at midnight he was asleep, but whether the sleep was natural or whether he was unconscious could not be determined. Estes struck the frozen ground on his left temple.

The performance of the horse caused more excitement than the accident itself. The car struck the cutter in front of St. Agnes church in Soho at 7:50 p. m., and the horse ran down to the downtown district. The animal rid itself of the sleigh at Moultrie street and continued down Fifth avenue with parts of the harness clinging to it. All the way from the scene of the accident to Fifth and Wood street, nearly two miles, the horse kept on at a terrific gait, the street being filled with people. At Fifth avenue and Wood it fell down. There it was captured and later returned to the stable, with its hoofs cut up a little, and the horse was delivered to Mr. Gillespie, who, in the morning, with Mrs. Gillespie, had left the Hotel Schenley, where they live, for a trip east.

Estes got the horse and cutter at the stable early last evening and drove away. When he reached St. Agnes church, pedestrians say, a woman, supposed to be his wife, was in the vehicle with him. Just in front of the church the cutter was struck by a car bound for the downtown district. Estes and the woman were both knocked out of the cutter. Estes was carried into Shack's livery stable, where a doctor attended him, and he was then removed to the Mercy hospital. The woman was unhurt, but crying, and went away after Estes was removed.

Two negroes, who heard the accident had happened near Schack's stable, took the cutter, as soon as the horse had got loose, and pulled it back two blocks to the stable, where it was last night, with nothing but the shafts smashed.

Twelve hours before people of Elizabeth jumped out of a large sled last night just before it was struck by traction car No. 226 on the Glassport division of the Pittsburgh railways, between Glassport and McKeesport. Edward Does, aged 22, of Elizabeth, had both legs broken and was stunned, and David McCloy, the driver, was badly cut about the face and head. The sled and the car were going in opposite directions and came together on a curve in the road. All the occupants but Does and McCloy jumped from the sled before the collision. The horses ran and the sled was wrecked. Does was taken to the McKeesport hospital and the other members of the party returned to Elizabeth by train.

In West street, Homestead, a sleigh containing four persons and drawn by four horses overturned last night. Every body in the sled was thrown out, but none was hurt.

GIRL DIED FROM COLD.

Exposure Ends Life of a Child Who Had Been Burned.

Exposure more than her burns are believed by the physicians in attendance to have been the cause of the death of 10-year-old Anna Garvin of 1321 Sarah street, South Side. The child had been burned somewhat in a fire on Monday and Dr. William McCracken was called to the house. The burns were not found dangerous, but the straitened condition of the family was made known to Magistrate Joseph H. Vichessian of the South Side police station, who asked the department of charities to assist. Drs. G. A. J. New and Wilson were sent to the home and they, too, found the burns not dangerous, but recommended that the girl be removed to the West Penn hospital. She died before this plan could be carried out.

The girl's mother, the widow of James Garvin, supports herself and two children by taking in washing, and during the cold weather of the past few days it has been impossible to keep the home warm. The cold is therefore believed to have been the cause of the child's death.

BUREAU MAY BE ABOLISHED.

Official Opposition to Retention of the County Detective Force.

The county commissioners, Controller Cunningham and District Attorney Robert E. Stewart held a meeting yesterday morning to decide on the retention or dismissal of the county detective bureau. After a discussion in which Commissioner Clark and Controller Cunningham took sides against the bureau, it was decided to retain it for 30 days at least, and during that time to take up the question of its permanency. The eight detectives were notified that they will serve at the same salary until February 1, when they may be dismissed.

Another meeting will be held in a few days to determine the permanency of the bureau. District Attorney Stewart refused to discuss the situation yesterday and referred a number of prominent citizens to the commissioners for any information on the subject.

CRUSHED BY FALLING WALLS.

Two Italian Laborers Killed on the Pennsylvania Railroad Track.

Andrew Patri, aged 27, of 2825 Second avenue, was crushed to death while pulling down the walls of old No. 4 police station in Second avenue, yesterday. The property was recently bought by Jones & Laughlin.

John Munchello and Tony Marro were killed on the Pennsylvania railroad yesterday morning at Homewood station. The men were shoveling snow off the tracks with a gang of laborers. They did not see the train approaching. Both men lived at 104 Frankstown avenue, East End and were Italians.

An unknown Syrian peddler was killed by a train on the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago railroad at Glenfield station. He was walking on the tracks.

Mrs. Marie Bisgoff, 29 years old, a widow, was found dead in bed yesterday morning by her mother, Mrs. Allen Regan, at Wharton and South Nineteenth streets. Consumption was the cause of death.

Annie Dravin, 12 years old, of 1827 Sarah street, South Side, was almost instantly burned to death at her home last night at 10:30 o'clock by her clothing catching fire while she was standing in front of the grate, preparing for bed. The girl died one hour after her injuries.

Anti-Masonic Lecture.

The Rev. J. D. Stoddard, of Washington, D. C., secretary of the National Anti-Secret Society Association of the United States, and assistant editor of the Christian Exposure of Chicago, will give an Anti-Masonic lecture this evening in the Wesley chapel, Corey street, North Braddock, to which all are invited, the admission being free.

Was Determined to Die.

OXFORD, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—After fastening a rope to the rafter of his barn and putting the noose about his neck, William Wright, aged 77 years, of McCreadyville, a retired and prosperous farmer, hanged himself apparently by lifting his feet from the floor and keeping them raised until he choked to death. There is no known reason.

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Hood's Pills are the best cathartic.

BLIZZARDS SEND MERCURY DOWN

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many years was reported throughout the Adirondack region last night. At Saranac lake it was 40 below and at Lake Placid 44 below. For the past four nights the thermometer has registered not less than 12 below anywhere and as low as 41 below at some points in Northern New York. An average temperature of 20 degrees below zero prevailed throughout the central and western part of the state.

Pennsylvania Suffers.

Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware experienced the coldest weather in years today, in many places thermometers registering a lower temperature than at any time since 1893. Bitterly cold weather prevailed in the interior of Pennsylvania, during the early hours of the day. At Scranton and Wilkesbarre the official thermometers registered respectively 16 and 13 degrees below zero, while at Eaglesmere, on the crest of the Alleghany mountains, the record was 17 below. At Harrisburg the minimum temperature was 5 below, Lancaster 1 below, York 18 below, Williamsport 17 below, Altoona 10 below, Johnstown 15 below, Pottsville 18 below. In some of the mountain regions temperature as low as 36 degrees below zero was recorded. A rise of from 10 to 30 degrees is reported from all these points tonight.

In Philadelphia all through trains were as much as four hours late and the suburban schedules of the railroads were tangled all day. In Atlantic City, N. J., a minimum temperature of 6 degrees below zero was recorded; at Cape May zero weather prevailed, and throughout Delaware the temperature fell to 6 and 8 below zero.

Chesapeake Bay Frozen.

Weather records for Maryland for 20 years have been broken. Between midnight and 9 o'clock this morning the coldest weather since the winter of 1880, when the mercury reached 26 degrees below zero, was experienced. Sharpsburg was the coldest place in Maryland, thermometers registering 20 below zero. At Hancock, Md., it was 16 below, and Williamsport and several other places reported 14 below. In Hagerstown thermometers ranged from 10 to 15 below the zero mark.

The Annapolis harbor is frozen far out into the bay. Considerable floating ice is reported in Chesapeake Bay. The Severn river is frozen solid from shore to shore.

Reports from southern New Jersey state that last night was the most bitter experienced in 25 years. At Burlington the mercury dropped to 8 degrees below zero; at Bridgeton 6 below.

The mercury registered 18 degrees below zero at 7 o'clock this morning at Youngstown, O., the coldest weather since February 10, 1899, when the thermometer dropped to 24 degrees below.

From many other points in Ohio reports received today indicated a temperature ranging from 5 to 20 below zero.

CANTON, O., Jan. 5.—This morning at Sample Flats, near here, the thermometer registered 41 degrees below zero, the lowest on record. In this city it was 30 below. There was 2 inches of snow.

MEADVILLE, PA., Jan. 5.—The temperature in Meadville this morning was 32 below, the lowest on record. At Conneaut Lake, eight miles west, it was 38 below. John McMullen, an old soldier aged 77, lost his way last night and was frozen to death this afternoon.

FREEPORT, PA., Jan. 5.—The weather last night in this vicinity was the coldest in 20 years, thermometers registering from 18 to 28 degrees below zero. At Kiskiminetas Junction it was 18 below, Butler Junction 20 below, and Leechburg 30 below. Ice on the river is 11 inches thick and the snow is from 12 to 20 inches deep.

WAYNESBURG, PA., Jan. 5.—All cold weather records in the history of Waynesburg were broken, thermometers registering 28 to 30 degrees below zero here today. There is a scarcity of gas.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., Jan. 5.—The main gas line that feeds Fairmont and vicinity broke this morning while the mercury was 15 degrees below zero. The break caused much suffering, as the line provides fuel for 14,000 people. It was repaired this evening.

KITTANNING, PA., Jan. 5.—At 7 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 36 degrees below zero. Five miles west of here, at Buffalo Mills, it registered 37 below.

SHARON, PA., Jan. 5.—Sharon experienced the coldest weather in over 10 years today. At 6 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 21 degrees below zero. There is much suffering among the poor of South Sharon.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Jan. 5.—Today was the coldest since February, 1899. At 8 a. m. it was 26 degrees below zero. In 1899 it was 24 below.

NEW CASES IN PITTSBURGH.

Penitentiary Prisoner Dies from Smallpox—Death in Homestead Hospital.

Only two cases of smallpox were reported in Pittsburgh yesterday. They were George Oviatt, 119 Lyle street, and David McFurk, Bernard street.

Thomas C. Peters, aged 26, a convict at the Western Penitentiary, died yesterday morning from smallpox. Peters was sentenced for four years on a charge of burglary from Beaver county. He was admitted on December 24, 1903, and would be entitled to his liberty in the penitentiary in 22 years. At that time Arthur Cuckle, colored, charged with murder and serving a 20-year sentence, died from the disease.

Jennie Whinker, aged 26, of Fifteenth avenue, Homestead, died yesterday morning in the Homestead municipal hospital from smallpox.

Horse and Wagon Disappeared.

A horse and wagon owned by William Hiber of 29 and 30 Diamond square either wandered away or was stolen from the front of the Diamond market on December 31 and has not yet been found, although the police made vigorous search for it. The horse is mouse colored, 15 hands high and weighs 1,200 pounds. The wagon is green, with red running gear.

Installation of Post No. 88.

Abe Patterson post No. 88, G. A. R., installed the following officers last night in post headquarters, South Diamond street, Allegheny: Commander, John M. Montgomery; senior vice, A. M. Bryan; junior vice, E. J. Roth; officer-of-the-day, Montgomery Cooke; officer-of-the-guard, John Hoefil; adjutant, Sydney Braff; quartermaster, W. D. McDowell; trustee, John A. Fairman.

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CZAR'S REPLY IS PACIFIC

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in Korea on the south to the Russian frontier on the north.

The Russian government has expressed a willingness to recognize the preponderating influence of Japan in the remainder of Korea and the two powers are agreed supporting the principle of the integrity of China and of Korea.

Opposed to Neutral Zone.

Japan, however, saw no reason why the proposed neutral zone should be established, holding that the entire peninsula should be subject to her preponderating influence.

The attitude of Russia is believed to be due to the fact that if Japan controls Korea she will thereby be able to more easily menace Port Arthur as well as Vladivostock.

The diplomat who gave the foregoing information expressed himself as confident that Russia in her reply to Japan will give way on this vital point.

A dispatch to the Havas agency

IZZARD'S HOLD HAS BEEN SHAKEN

Warmer Weather Is Traveling Eastward and Higher Temperature Is Expected.

MANY PEOPLE SEEK AID

Warmer weather is slowly traveling eastward and it is predicted that this section will today be partly loosed from the grip of the frost king. In the northwest, where the blizzard is supposed to have gathered, and in the west and middle west, the temperature last evening was reported to be rising slowly. A somewhat higher temperature is looked for in this section today, although it will not be sufficiently high to melt much of the snow and ice now covering the ground.

The mercury in the official thermometer on the roof of the Federal building began falling rapidly early yesterday morning and when Pittsburgh awoke it was biting cold. A heavy frost mist was falling and a white mantle enveloped the entire section.

The ice and snowbound conditions which still prevail throughout the greater portion of the country caused much inconvenience. In this section the traction companies and railroads suffered much through delay. Railroad traffic was practically at a standstill for several hours during the morning. Through trains from the east and west were delayed from two to six hours, and owing to frozen switches and the heavy fog it was almost impossible to get the local trains started.

Trainmen Suffered Severely.

Trainmen on arriving in the city reported their suffering from cold greater than known for years. In the railroad yards and on the freight trains the crews worked under a great handicap. In the yards the incoming trains in several instances were held for hours on end, owing to frozen switches. At Union station mail bags and express packages were piled high about the platforms waiting to be loaded on cars which could not be brought in.

On the traction lines the motormen were ordered to run on the fog schedule in order to prevent accidents. The mist made the rails "gummy" and the cars frequently slid for some distance before they could be stopped.

In the suburbs lower temperatures than in the city were reported. At many points temperatures of from 5 to 20 below zero are reported.

In Braddock and North Braddock a shortage of gas added to the suffering, and in many houses and buildings the gas appliances were removed and coal and wood fires substituted. At the Braddock police station the prisoners were all removed to the county jail to keep them from freezing. Two of the borough public schools were dismissed yesterday because of the cold. In Dixon street, Homestead, a number of cellars were flooded by the bursting of a large water main which had never frozen.

At the offices of the department of charities and corrections in Pittsburgh and Allegheny the number of applicants for food and clothing greatly increased yesterday and the Association for the Improvement of the Poor the demand for assistance was much greater than could be accommodated. In Pittsburgh many persons asked to be sent to Manchester for the winter, claiming they had no homes.

The Pittsburgh Association for the Improvement of the Poor issued a call yesterday for assistance in caring for the needy. Donations of bedding and warm clothing are wanted.

Although the temperature did not go quite so low as on last Sunday, the cold was felt much more because the atmosphere was very damp, while on Sunday, the coldest day so far this winter, it was dry.

The prediction for warmer weather for yesterday was too previous, as the thermometer registered a lower temperature every hour after 8 o'clock Monday night till 9 o'clock yesterday morning, when the mercury started to climb back. The minimum temperature was 0.8 below zero. This was registered at the local weather office and was within 0.2 of a degree of the minimum of last Sunday. By 5 o'clock the mercury reached zero and at 11 it was 4 degree above zero. After 1 o'clock it went up the tube in leaps and bounds, and at 6 o'clock last evening the temperature was 20 degrees above, a jump upward of 20 degrees from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. At 8 o'clock last night the temperature was 16 above.

How the Temperature Ranged.

The hourly temperature taken at the weather office from midnight follows:

Midnight	6	11 a. m.	4
1 a. m.	5	Noon	5
2 a. m.	4	1 p. m.	5
3 a. m.	3	2 p. m.	10
4 a. m.	2	3 p. m.	14
5 a. m.	1	4 p. m.	17
6 a. m.	0	5 p. m.	19
7 a. m.	1.8	6 p. m.	20
8 a. m.	0.8	7 p. m.	18
9 a. m.	0	8 p. m.	16
10 a. m.	0		

The present month is the coldest for January in the history of the local weather office. Yesterday was the coldest day for the date since 1884, when the maximum was 9 below and the minimum 6 below. For the same date in 1885 the maximum was 9, and the minimum 2 below. The coldest day ever experienced in Pittsburgh in January, was on the 3rd, in 1878, when 12 degrees below zero was registered. The coldest weather ever known locally occurred on February 10, 1899, when the mercury went down to 20 degrees below zero. The cold yesterday caused an argument on the Pittsburgh stock exchange among the brokers, and after a bet of $100 had been posted that yesterday was the coldest day ever known in this city, Local Forecast Official Frank Ridgway was consulted and a search of the office records showed February 10, 1899, to be the coldest day known locally.

The coldest place in the United States at 6 o'clock last night was at Bismarck, N. D., where 4 degrees above zero was reported. A strange freak of the weather was discovered last evening after the weather map had been made up at the local weather office. It was found that Chicago, Ill., and Norfolk, Va., each had a maximum temperature of 24 degrees, and a current temperature of 22 degrees yesterday.

ATTEMPTS TO THAW PIPES CAUSED FIRES

Blazes Were Not Serious, but Provoked Considerable Excitement.

The home of Mrs. Elizabeth Bowers at 1 Holland avenue, Wilkinsburg, was slightly damaged by fire yesterday morning. The blaze was caused by the woodwork in the kitchen taking fire while frozen water pipes were being thawed. Considerable excitement was caused by preparations to remove a daughter of Mrs. Bowers, who is ill with pneumonia.

A small fire was caused at the home of Lafayette Massey in Anna street, Troy Hill, Allegheny, yesterday morning, when the family was trying to thaw frozen water pipes in the kitchen. The blaze was put out by the Allegheny firemen. The loss is about $200. The firemen had much trouble in getting the fire apparatus to the scene of the blaze, owing to the icy streets.

While thawing frozen water pipes in the laundry at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Hyner at 1408 Locust street, Allegheny, yesterday morning the woodwork in the laundry took fire and caused about $25 damages.

Through the quick action of the Sharpsburg volunteer fire department a conflagration was prevented in the borough yesterday. A small building in the yard of Moorhead Bros. mill, used to house a dinkey engine, caught fire about 10:45 o'clock. Jacob Green discovered the fire while passing the mill and sent in an alarm. The firemen prevented the flames spreading to the warehouse of J. F. Traeger & Sons, in which was stored oil, benzine and other inflammable goods. The engine and building were destroyed. The loss is about $1,000.

Will Have a Skating Race.

A race meet will be held at the Colosseum rink Friday night for the championships of Allegheny county. There will be three events, a mile open, best three in five; a five-mile open, one heat, and a half mile novice. Valuable medal prizes will be offered in the open events and hockey sticks for the novice. Entry blanks may be had at the Colosseum rink or of Manager Lockhardt, Virgin alley, city.

ONE BOY DROWNS WHILE ANOTHER ESCAPES DEATH

By Great Endurance Six-Year Old William Kern Crawls from River, While his Companion, Henry Gass Sinks In the Icy Water.

"I'm all right, but Hen's all drowned," sobbed 6-year-old William Kern of Tarentum when those who had rescued him from the ice of the Allegheny river had revived him sufficiently to enable him to speak. Investigation showed that Henry Gass, the 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Gass of Tarentum, and the constant companion of the Kern boy, had been drowned. The body was recovered late yesterday afternoon.

Harry Mehaffey of Tarentum found the Kern boy crawling half-frozen up the river bank at the foot of Allegheny street about 4 p. m. yesterday. The child was almost lifeless from exposure, his clothing being frozen stiff. Mehaffey picked the boy up and carried him to his home near by, where Mrs. Mehaffey administered restoratives and gradually brought the child back to life. It was when he was asked how he felt that the boy replied in the words above.

It was soon found that the Gass boy was missing and a searching party was organized. About 5 o'clock the body was brought from the river by N. E. Bunnett and James Stewart. The place of drowning was a large open pool in the river, caused by an accumulation of salt water from the salt works. The two boys had left school at 3:30 o'clock and came to play on the ice. The thin crust near the pool's edge broke, throwing them both into the stream. Both were completely immersed, but by extraordinary endurance the Kern boy succeeded in making his way to the shore, getting a grasp on firm ice and pulling himself out. The body of the other boy had drifted but a few feet from the point where he fell in. It had lodged against the edge of the ice. It would probably not have been recovered had it gone but a little distance farther as the surface of the river is solidly frozen from Tarentum to Allegheny.

The dead boy's father is a glass worker at present employed at Saltsburg. The mother, Mrs. Emma Gass is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bergman, in Tarentum.

MORROW MAKES A WARM RETORT

Superintendent of Allegheny Schools Denies Charges of Pittsburgh Educators.

IS PROUD OF HIS PUPILS

John Morrow, superintendent of the Allegheny schools, delivered some keen bits of sarcasm last night at a meeting of the board of school controllers in speaking of charges made by Pittsburgh educators regarding prizes won by Allegheny students in the recent prize essay contest at the Carnegie institute. The speech caused a sensation. In the essay contest Allegheny secured nine prizes and Pittsburgh 20, although not all the schools of the North Side were represented.

"We won more than Pittsburgh in proportion," said Supt. Morrow, 'and yet the Pittsburgh people say one of our prizes was captured by a recruit from Erie and another by a student from Bellaire. Well, if I were a Pittsburgher I should be ashamed to let little Allegheny, little Erie or little Bellaire take more than their share of prizes. The truth of the matter is that the Erie and Bellaire contestants for the prizes were tutored for more than a year in Allegheny."

A letter from Benjamin Lee, secretary of the state board of health, was read by Supt. Morrow. The communication was a request that the Allegheny schools be disinfected at least every two months. The letter was referred to the local boards.

The resolution recommended by the finance committee that the tax levy for school purposes be fixed at 3½ mills was also adopted. A resolution to increase the salaries of the several heads of departments in the high school was laid over. It was decided to spend $100 for exhibits of the industrial and kindergartens at the St. Louis exposition. A request from the Ladies' Grand Army home at Hawkins that the pupils of the schools be allowed to contribute supplies to the home was referred to committee.

President David B. Oliver announced last night that on February 2 he would sail for the Mediterranean and would not return until late in April. In the meantime a president pro tem. will be chosen. Mr. Oliver's friends have already started a campaign for his reelection at the annual meeting next June.

STREET BILLS PASSED.

Surveys Committee Approved Number of Ordinances Establishing Grades.

The surveys committee of councils met last night, but no business of importance was transacted. Several ordinances for establishing grades of streets were presented and all except one were ordered returned to councils with affirmative recommendations.

The one held over was an ordinance for the establishment of the grade of Jancey street from Stanton avenue to Baker street.

The grade ordinances approved were for the grade of Monticello street from Brushton avenue, 6,500 feet west; Ursuline street from Austin alley to Coral street; Austin alley from Rebecca to Graham street; Beitzhoover avenue from Washington avenue to Excelsior street; Norton street from Sandwich to Kuhn street; Sandwich street from Southern avenue to Norton street, South Third street from McKean street to the P. & L. E. railroad; Hobart avenue from Munsey street to Shady avenue.

RESERVOIRS ARE EMPTIED.

Threatened Water Famine Was Caused by Consumers Leaving Spigots Open.

Every winter during an excessive cold spell it is the lot of Pittsburgh to face a threatened water famine. Supt. A. B. Shepherd of the water bureau yesterday announced that the water supply in the reservoirs was running low because of the general practice of consumers leaving their spigots open at night to prevent the pipes from freezing. This has almost emptied every reservoir in the city and the pumping stations are not able to keep up the pace.

At the Garfield pumping station 124,000 gallons are pumped daily on an average, but Monday night 200,000 gallons were pumped at this station. Supt. Shepherd called upon Director Harry Moore for police assistance to stop the waste of water and an order to this effect was issued to the patrolmen who were instructed to notify the people on their beats.

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Write me and I will send you the book. Try my remedy for a month. If it fails the loss is mine.

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DEAD HOST WELCOMED A SLEIGHING PARTY

Hearing the sound of sleighbells and the shouts of a merry crowd of young people who were coming to spend last evening at his home, William Harrison of near Harrison City went to the door to extend the party a hearty welcome. "Here they come," he cried back to the family, as the two sleighs from Pleasant, led by his nephew, David Rodgers, dashed up to the house. Mr. Harrison had barely uttered these words, when he fell back in his doorway, dead from heart disease. The deceased was 70 years of age and was one of the most prominent residents of his section. His homestead, where a merry-making party was converted suddenly into a gathering of sorrow, is located near the border of Allegheny and Westmoreland counties. Mr. Harrison leaves a wife and large family.

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BOWLEGS OUSLEY CONFESSES CRIME

Tries to Save Companions Suspected of Participating in Donnelly Murder.

DETECTIVES DOUBT DETAILS

Frank "Bowlegs" Ousley confessed yesterday he shot and killed Grocery man James Donnelly in his store at 2219 Bedford avenue on New Year's eve. He exonerated Joseph Wright and Charles Manor, who are also under arrest and have been identified by Annie Donnelly as the men who were in the store when her father was shot. Ousley named three other negroes who were with him at the shooting.

The detectives do not put much faith in Ousley's confession. While Ousley knows he has been positively identified as the man who did the shooting and there is no chance for him to evade justice, he desires to save Manor and Wright.

"They can hang me any time," he said yesterday to Detective John Lally. "I killed Donnelly, but Manor and Wright had nothing to do with it."

Ousley regrets he killed Donnelly and says he had no business trying burglary for a living.

"I was a holdup man," he told Sergeant Robert Smothers. "I could stick a man up in the street at night and rob him faster than anybody I ever saw in the business. I could go through a man's pockets before he knew it. I ought to have stayed in that business. Why I robbed 30 Italians on the hill during the last six months.

"One night I put my gun in an Italian's face in Wylie avenue and took 80c from him. He was so frightened that he helped me search his pockets. Another night a smart coon came into the city from a railroad camp. He had lots of money. He started to tell me what a hard man he was. I followed him when he left the house where we were drinking and stuck him up. He gave his money up without a kick when I put my gun in his face.

"I tell you, I only shot Donnelly once. The other fellow let him have a shot, too. You fly cops have me all right, but you are wrong on those other niggers."

This statement has not influenced the detectives or police to any extent. They have absolute confidence in Annie Donnelly's identification of the men. Still, they are looking for the men named by "Bowlegs" Ousley.

George Williams told Superintendent of Detectives Thomas A. McQuaide that he planned the robbery with Manor, Wright and Ousley. Williams said he remained across the street to watch for the policeman on that beat, while Manor, Wright and Ousley went in the store to do the robbing. The police and detectives have every reason to believe the confession of Williams, as they have already traced his movements on that night and found his statement to be correct.

The four negroes are happy in the confinement at the Central police station. Although a charge of murder is staring them in the face, they sing and smoke. George Lewis and Joseph Johnson, who are held as witnesses in the case, have good voices, and with Ousley and Manor make a fair quartet. Their favorite selections are "Break the News to Mother," "Tessie," and the "Holy City."

BABY'S ECZEMA

Top of Head Covered with Scales Which Peeled off Taking Hair with Them.

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"My baby was about six weeks old when the top of her head became covered with thick scales, which would peel and come off, taking the hair with it. It would soon form again and be as bad as before. I tried several things and then went to the doctor. He said it was Eczema, and prescribed an ointment, which did not do any good. A friend spoke of Cuticura Soap. I tried it and read on the wrapper about Cuticura Ointment as a remedy for Eczema. I bought a box and washed her head in warm water and Cuticura Soap and gently combed the scales off. They did not come back and her hair grew out fine and thick. She is now a year and a half old and has no trace of Eczema."

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Damaged Pianos

Will be sacrificed at less than actual cost—All guaranteed musically perfect but varnish is more or less affected.

An accident in our warehouse compelled the speedy removal of our surplus stock and consequently our salesrooms are suddenly and tremendously overcrowded. During the extremely cold weather of last week a stand-pipe in our warehouse burst and before the break could be repaired a deluge of water swept over a portion of the lower floors. The majority of the pianos stored there did not come into direct contact with the water, but to prevent bad results from damp floors and walls, these pianos were hurridly removed to our salesroom, and every nook and corner of our Fifth avenue store has been filled in our effort to make a place for these extra goods.

Fourteen of the Best Pianos

Unfortunately fourteen of the best pianos in the warehouse were directly in the way of the drenching downpour and the boxes were wet when removed from the building. The pianos were immediately taken out of the boxes and thoroughly gone over by our workmen. We found that except for one thing the pianos were unharmed; that one thing is the varnish work on the cases. Varnish is very sensitive to dampness and to extremes of heat and cold. And the varnish on these fourteen pianos is damaged—not enough to make the pianos unsightly, but sufficient to make it impossible for this house to offer them at the regular full prices that these goods would bring if they were as perfect on the outside as they are musically.

These goods are fully guaranteed, except the varnish, which is never guaranteed anyhow.

We therefore offer these pianos at reductions which in some instances are

Below Actual Cost

When the character of the goods offered is considered little other inducement should be necessary to bring more buyers than there are pianos. We MUST sell them and quickly. Our warerooms are crowded, our annual stock-taking is at hand, and shortly thereafter we must move this great business from its present quarters to the new location on Wood street. Do you wonder that we are anxious to make this a record sale for quick moving of stock? Isn't there good reason for these money-saving prices?

Among the new pianos slightly damaged as to varnish are the following:

$650 A. B. Chase, upright, walnut	(damaged)	now $435
$550 A. B. Chase, upright, mahogany	(damaged)	now $365
$525 Fischer, upright, mahogany	(damaged)	now $360
$450 Fischer, upright, mahogany	(damaged)	now $310
$400 Schumann, upright, mahogany	(damaged)	now $285
$350 Smith & Barnes, upright, mahogany	(damaged)	now $240
$250 Marshall, upright, mahogany	(damaged)	now $110
$275 Willard, upright, mahogany	(damaged)	now $160

The above enumeration gives an idea of the values offered in these new, slightly damaged pianos.

Some Good Used Pianos

In addition to these we have an unusual assortment of used uprights which have been taken in exchange for new A. B. Chase and Fischer pianos during the past month. These uprights include:

Knabe, Weber, Fischer, Colby, Wegman, Hardman, Muehlfeld, Stults & Bauer, Bradbury, New England, Mathushek and others, beginning at $125.

All of the above named used pianos are in the best possible condition and price includes stool and scarf.

We have a number of good square pianos at $50 to $100. The clearance sale of organs, music boxes, talking machines, music rolls and small musical instruments of every description continues at one-third to one-half regular prices.

Full particulars regarding any or all of our special offerings will be sent upon request to people living out of town. Mail orders receive prompt and careful attention.

S. HAMILTON,

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JOSEPH HORNE CO.

Weather—Fair. Wednesday, January 6, 1904.

January Clearance Sale Chances.

Special Sale of Imported Printed Challis at 48c a Yard.

At this price you select from two grades of imported Challis, worth and selling for most everywhere 60c and 65c. It is a special lot of some 14,000 yards that we bought last week and which arrived in the store yesterday evening.

It is the finest Challis that comes from Alsace, and it will be found in artistic printings of white and tinted grounds over which are profusely spread rosebuds and clusters of roses and other floral printings.

We submit the above as an earnest of our determination to make lower prices than ever before in this January Clearance and its incidental sales.

This imported Challis is especially nice for the making of Kimonos and Nightingales.

Silks for Lowered Prices.

If you intend purchasing a Silk Dress for wear this coming summer, permit us to tell you that you can secure it now at a very pronounced saving in money. As an innovation we have set apart a section of the basement for the selling of silks, in addition to the regular silk counter. One of the most attractive features of this Basement Silk Department is: There you will always find specially-priced silks.

Colored Silks—

Colored Crepe de Chine, full assortment of colorings, was 85c a yard, now 58c.

Table of fancy silks for shirtwaist suits in Louisine and Taffeta. Blue and white, black and white, brown and white, and gun mental effects. Was 85c to $1 a yard, now 68c.

Black Silks—

Black Taffeta, Swiss make, was 75c a yard, now 58c.

Black Grenadines in brocade effects, were $5.50 to $4.00 a yard, now $2.50.

Black Crepe de Chine—24 inches in width, was 85c a yard, now 65c.

Black Peau de Sole, 36 inches wide, was $1.25 a yard, now 95c.

Silks in the Basement—

Colored Foulards—all the leading colors and their combinations. Were 65c, now 48c.

Checked silks, black and white and blue and white. Were 75c a yard, now 50c.

Velvets and Velveteens. A large variety of styles in this season's prettiest examples of the velvet family. $1.00 and $1.50 qualities for 50c a yard.

Pillow Cases, Sheets, Spreads, Sheeting.

This section of the basement engaging in the white sale is doing a rushing business these days. Prices to bring business, like these:

At 50c each—worth 70c—Standard Bleached Sheets, 81x93½ inches.

At 65c double bed size Bleached Sheets, made of the famous New York Mills Muslin, size 81x90; also at 60c each, size 72x90, same grade of sheets for iron beds.

At the respective prices of 12½c, 15c, 20c and 25c, Pillow Cases of this same New York Mills Muslin, which are from five to ten cents each under regular prices.

At 15c a yard—a 22c grade, Pride of the West Pillow Casing, 45 inches wide.

Bedspreads, Marseilles patterns, purl edges, at these reduced prices: At 88c from $1.25, at $1.00 from $1.50, at $1.25 from $1.75, at $1.50 from $2.00.

Special Sale of Satin Bedspreads—

At $2.00 each—$2.50 grade—100 Satin Bedspreads of an excellent quality.

At $2.65 each—$3.00 grade—200 Satin Bedspreads, fringed and having corners cut, for brass beds.

At $3.25 each—$4.00 grade—100 Satin Bedspreads, full width, 2½ yards long.

At $3.25—$4.00 grade—extra quality Satin Bedspreads represented by four new designs.

We have about 20 fine imported Satin Bedspreads which will be offered at 25 per cent less than regular prices, at $5.75 from $7.50, at $7.50 from $10.00, at $9.50 from $12.50.

"Old Bleach" Towels.

Every woman knows old bleach as applied to towels. Old Bleach Towels are always best, and you buy the best now for underprices.

25c each for 35c Old Bleach Huck Towels. They are hemstitched.

40c each for 50c Old Bleach Huck Towels. Very fine grade.

75c each for 85c Old Bleach Basket Weave Towels. They are hemstitched.

$6.00 Silk Petticoats for $5.00.

Silk petticoats are always sold very close to the cost line here, and when you get a price $1.00 below regular quotations you can put it down as a bargain extraordinary. These $6.00 petticoats for $5.00 come in black only, have sectional flounce and the silk is of a good quality.

At $6.00, instead of $7.50, black and colored Silk Petticoats, graduated accordion pleated flounce, with bias ruffle and rose pleating.

At $6.75—$8.50 grade—Silk Petticoats with deep accordion pleating, two bias ruffles with French hem.

At $7.50—$9.00 grade—Silk Petticoats in black only, graduated accordion pleating with hemstitched ruffle.

The January Linen Sale.

With prices so low on the fresh, new stocks of Linens bought especially for our January Linen Sale, why should people stop because of the weather? They don't. They know the linens are here at interesting prices, and they come for them in spite of the weather. The liveliest kind of selling in this section of the store every day since the sale began.

A mention this morning only of the finer tablecloths:

At $3.50 each—regularly $5.00—bleached Damask Tablecloths, 2x2 yards. There are no napkins to match this line of cloths.

At $5.25 each—regularly $7.50—fine bleached Damask Tablecloths, 2x3 yards.

At $6.00 each—regularly $9.00—bleached Damask Tablecloths, 2½x3 yards.

At $7.00 each—regularly $10.00—bleached Damask Tablecloths, 2x4 yards.

At $8.00 each—regularly $12.00—bleached Damask Tablecloths, 2½x4 yards.

Infants' Cloaks and Caps.

In this department you will find Cloaks and Bonnets for the child of two and three years, for the infant in arms and for the child in short dresses.

Greatly reduced prices on infants' long Coats of cream bedford cord, cashmere, silk and novelty cloths. Such a varied range of prices and so many different reductions that we cannot clearly give quotations.

All colored Coats for children, 1, 2 and 3 years, such materials as zibeline, broadcloth, velvet, silk, have had their prices lowered to such a point as to cause amazement.

For a third and a half of former prices we are selling little children's Bonnets, navy, cadet, gray and tan, among them large poke styles in velvet and silk.

Armour's Beef Extract Calendar for 1904.

Handsome, striking, up-to-date illustrations. Ask the lady in charge of Armour's Beef Extract demonstration now going on in our Basement how to get one. And while there try, with our compliments, some of the dainty dishes she is serving.

A novelty attached to this booth is the singing mechanical Swiss Nightingale.

Men's Mufflers—Reduced Prices.

All the colored mufflers thrown out now, just when you need them, for strong reductions. All imported, large full sizes.

$2.25 imported Mufflers for $1.50.
$3.50 imported Mufflers for $2.00.
$4.00 imported Mufflers for $2.50.
$5.00 imported Mufflers for $3.50.
$6.00 imported Mufflers for $4.00.

Hot Water Bottles—Clearance Prices.

Every one guaranteed perfect. Special sizes, shapes for the neck, eye or cheek.

2 quart size special at 50c each.
Three quart size special at 60c each.
Four quart size special at 75c each.

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Special Sale.
For the next 60 days we will sell No. 4 and 5 Monarch Typewriters at $42.50, and No. 9 Manhattan Typewriters at $50.00. A rare opportunity. All other makes of machines sold and repaired. F. S. Webster Co.'s Carbons and Ribbons.
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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

NOTICE—In the court of common pleas, No. 2, No. 397 February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the grading and paving of Anderson alley from Arlington avenue to Alpine avenue, Second ward.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the court viewers in the foregoing matter, hereby give notice, that they will, on the fifth day of January, A. D. 1904, at 11 o'clock a. m., meet on the line of the said improvement, at the corner of Anderson alley and Arlington avenue, proceedings thence over the line of said improvement, viewing the same, and the premises affected thereby, and will hear all parties interested therein and their witnesses.

E. E. PHILLIPS,
C. C. LEAN,
JOHN SAUERS,
Viewers.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

NOTICE—In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 396, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a public sewer in Scrip alley, from Preble avenue to an unnamed alley, Sixth ward.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the court viewers in the foregoing matter, hereby give notice, that they will, on the 22d day of January, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., meet on the line of the said improvement, at the corner of Kinnear avenue and Federal street, proceeding thence over the line of said improvement, viewing the same, and the premises affected thereby, and will hear all parties interested therein and their witnesses.

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Wednesday, January 6, 1904.

An excellent report has been made by the Western Pennsylvania Exposition society at its annual meeting. The earnings have been the largest in its history, reaching the splendid total of more than $134,000, of which more than $77,000 are net. The society, however, has been unable to sell its 5 per cent bonds. The directors have subscribed $160,00 of the total issue of $500,000, but the remainder of the money is needed to complete the large auditorium which will be a money maker when finished. These bonds ought to be a good investment and there is no doubt the cause is a good one.

In passing the dividend upon the common stock the board of the United States Steel Corporation has, doubtless, acted with wisdom. The earnings for the last quarter were greatly reduced. A dividend could have been paid out of surplus, but it would not be good policy to pay it. The price of the stock is low enough for a non-dividend paying basis, so there will be no shock from the passing of the dividend in favor of keeping up the available cash capital. By the end of the current quarter an increase in net earnings may be expected and if it is sufficient, the board may decide to resume dividends.

Weather records have been broken in some parts of the country, particularly in northern New York. Here the temperature has not been the lowest known, but the duration of the cold snap has borne heavily upon railroads, traction lines and other interests. The danger to pipes, too, increases as the cold continues because the frost is daily penetrating deeper into the earth. Relief is promised today by the weather bureau and it will be a welcome relief. Incidentally there is an urgent appeal from the society for the improvement of the Poor, for aid. Contributions of money, fuel and clothing can be placed to advantage and the response should be generous. This weather is severe upon those who are well fed and well dressed; it is much more so upon those who are neither well clad, or well fed.

Our Democratic contemporary printed three columns and some extra sections about the Democratic love feast in New York, known as the McClellan dinner, but omitted the salient feature, namely, Richard Olney's boom for Grover Cleveland for president. This item of news was printed by The Gazette and other Pittsburgh morning papers, so if it was the object of the Post to conceal the fact in order to not be compelled to defend the third term candidate, its effort has been in vain. Mr Cleveland continues to deny that he is a candidate and to put the mention of himself aside, but fate pursues him and his friends are persistent. The Post may as well face the situation and if it doesn't want Cleveland nominated it can frankly say so. There is no use dodging the question, or trying to keep the news from the public.

Statistics compiled by the marine hospital service, the bureau of vital statistics at Washington, show that Pittsburgh had the highest typhoid fever rate in the country in 1903. It had 124 deaths to each 100,000 of population. Allegheny came second with 109 and Hartford, Conn., third with 92. Since then Pittsburgh has increased its unenviable eminence in this particular and Allegheny has continued second, though with a widening gap between it and the leader. Allegheny's new water plant with its infiltration gallery has modified its typhoid rate slightly, which affords another proof of the value of filtration as a preventive, and that impure water is the source of nearly all of the typhoid fever. Evidence on this latter point has not been needed. It was well established years ago. It is corroborated by every epidemic. Yet Pittsburgh suffers and nothing is done.

For the first time in the history of Pittsburgh the Central Board of Education asks for more than $1,000,000 for the schools. It looks like a high rate, but it must not be forgotten that Pittsburgh is a million dollar city. Many of the boroughs in Western Pennsylvania are taxing their citizens at a higher rate than this for education and are giving less for the money. The tax rate for school purposes in some of the small towns is considerably higher than for municipal government and there are no complaints. Throughout the United States the educational charge is as high as to astound visitors from Europe, but it is a public expenditure that appears to have paid good interest on the investment. Economy is a good thing in the educational department as well as elsewhere, but there should be no hesitation about giving every dollar that can be expended for the genuine benefit of the schools.

Russia continues its pacific talk. It is declared at St. Petersburg that the Russian reply has been forwarded to Admiral Alexieff, to be delivered to Japan at his pleasure, and that it contains several concessions and on other points makes counter proposals with a view to further discussion. The Russian foreign office expresses confidence in a peaceful solution. On the other hand Japan's preparations for war have been redoubled and the press is prohibited from publication of any military movements. To some it may appear suspicious that the Russian reply to Japan has been sent through Alexieff, to be delivered when he is ready. He is in command of the military power in the far east and when he is ready might mean when he is ready to resist an expected attack. We hope that peace will be the outcome, but at present the situation is one of extreme tension and danger. Russia's peace professions may be designed to throw the onus of war upon Japan, or they may be in good faith. We shall soon see.

A Complete Vindication.

President Roosevelt's message conclusively disposes of the charge that the separation of Panama from Colombia was brought about by this country. The revolution was accomplished by the people of Panama acting under abundant provocation. The assumption upon which Senator Hoar attacked the administration has no evidence to support it, and he now occupies the undignified position of having bitterly assailed the administration for acts which it did not commit and his speech appears upon the record as a colossal impertinence.

The more closely the Panama policy of the administration is examined the more conspicuously the fact appears that it is the consistent and logical outcome of the policy of our government from the beginning. It is quite in accord with numerous precedents extending from Jackson's administration down to the present time. Much has been made of the fact that the previous interventions of our government in the affairs of the isthmus have invariably been accompanied by recognition of Colombia sovereignty, but numerous expressions indicate that this fact was accidental and not essential. The doctrine as uniformly set forth in our state papers is that the only absolute obligation imposed by the treaty was, as Secretary Seward said in one of his dispatches, "to guarantee the isthmus against seizure or invasion by a foreign power only." It was never intended or construed as a guarantee of the jurisdiction of Colombia over the isthmus. Hence Wharton's Digest of International Law remarks: "The guarantee of 'perfect neutrality' in the treaty is not a guarantee against change of government in Colombia." When by reason of civil commotions freedom of transit across the isthmus is obstructed, our government has a right to employ force, but just how or for whose benefit is not determined by the treaty obligation but is, as Secretary Seward remarked: "A question of grave expediency to be determined by the circumstances." Heretofore circumstances have been such as to incline our government to suppress disorder in the interest of Colombian sovereignty, because expediency suggested that policy. Now the circumstances are different, and expediency suggests that we should recognize and uphold the sovereignty of the state of Panama.

The only feature of the case which is unprecedented is the immediate recognition extended to the new sovereignty, but delay is not a matter of obligation but purely of expediency. The reason why delay is usual is that under ordinary circumstances it is prudent to wait until it is evident that the new sovereignty is real and permanent. It is not worth while to enter into diplomatic relations with a government that may soon collapse. The conditions in the case of Panama excluded any such risk in her case. Any government there whose sovereignty is recognized by the United States is assured of permanence by our guarantee of "perfect neutrality" to that region. A state occupying only that region is not exposed to attack, for it is covered by the mighty aegis of the United States. There was therefore, no reason whatever for delaying a most cogent considerations of national duty. The event was a most happy solution of a difficulty pregnant with the most dangerous possibilities, and it was an act of the highest statesmanship to seize and utilize the opportunity with vigor and determination as President Roosevelt has done. His course is not only approved by public sentiment now, but will be applauded by history as an act of wisdom and virtue.

The Fate of Finland.

While Russian plans have encountered a serious check on the Pacific coast in the counter-ambitions of Japan, they are moving steadily forward in other directions. It is a small matter on the whole scheme of extension of Russian dominion and Russification of all territories under the Russian flag that the national existence of Finland has been all but extinguished and the country reduced from the position of an independent state, with the czar of Russia as its soverign grand duke, to that of a subjugated province. Famine did much to bring this about. The resistless pressure of the Muscovite was equal to the task, but a season's utter failure of crops, so that there was not even fodder for cattle, and the wild birds and animals in the forest perished for lack of food, made the work speedier.

Civil liberty and autonomy have been virtually ended in the little state whose free institutions interposed between the Scandinavian kingdoms of Oscar and the autocracy of the czar. It was an anomalous condition that this little dependency with its spirit of republicanism and its liberal institutions should exist under the czar's rule, but the anomaly is no longer, and the people of Sweden and Norway have in consequence something to consider. According to a Russian correspondent of the London Times, an order of the czar in April last year gave control of the elections in the Finnish provinces to the governors so as to prevent the election of those hostile to the new state of affairs. Then, on December 17, this order was reinforced with another which practically deprives Finland of municipal and commercial self-government by authorizing the governors among other things to remove objectionable persons from office and appoint successors to them. From this to the appointment of all local officials is only a short step.

Finland may be considered now as wholly absorbed into Russia and her local institutions superseded by government by the St. Petersburg bureaucracy that has reduced the Russian empire to a dull and colorless level and that habitually smothers and stamps out aspirations for greater individual liberty. It is a bad thing for the Finlanders and it is not a good thing for the Swedes and Norwegians that they become nearer neighbors to the colossus that bestrides two continents and still seeks for a war on water harbor.

Franchise Referendum.

It is proposed by the Tax Reform club of Allegheny county to have all franchise legislation voted on by the people upon petition of five per cent of the voters. This system is operating in Detroit and is satisfactory to a good many people there. It might do good in some cases in Pittsburgh, though we believe a much more practical system is that based on the board of estimates as exemplified partly in New York and more completely in Baltimore. During twelve months past Pittsburgh has had the futility of diffused authority practically demonstrated. The referendum would not have helped a particle in this case for the proposed franchises could not have been put before the people. On the other hand if they had been negotiated by a board of estimates, under the system of concentrated responsibility they would have come at once in form to be voted upon either by the people or by councils and there would have been no possibility of evasion.

To attach the referendum to the diffused system in operation in this city would be simply to multiply our troubles. Councils are enabled by real and pretended differences of opinion to hold up measures for an indefinite period. Useless multiplication of committees gives them the power to hold up absolutely measures that should be promptly acted upon for the public good. This system should be abolished and a board of estimates created. The findings of this board may be submitted to councils or referred to the people for final decision—the reference to councils being cheaper and quicker than reference to the people.

We are ready to welcome the agitation of the subject by the Tax Reform league, not because we are disposed at the moment to favor the referendum, but because it is another force to assist in abolishing the present imbecile system and its attendant evils. The hold-up has been practiced here to such an outrageous extent that anything else is to be preferred. The public is thoroughly disgusted with councilmanic machinations and would probably welcome any plan that might give relief.

Of course, Mr. Olney hopes that the Democracy will take notice, in case Cleveland continues not to want it, of his own noble self-sacrifice in turning his back upon the Democratic nomination for president to give his former chief another chance.

If the population of Pittsburgh doesn't increase as fast as it ought no one can blame Capt. Schaub of No. 4 fire station, whose two sets of twins and one set of triplets go a long way to prove, in spite of some pessimists, that marriage is no failure.

Former Senator David B. Hill proves that he isn't a candidate for president by saying mean things about the president's Panama policy, for which the states that furnish the electoral votes in the Democratic column are shouting.

It is said with some measure of authority that the bureaus of police and detectives will not be consolidated. Let us hope, however, that this does not mean that they will be permitted to continue to fight it out.

The prospect of a water famine is in some measure robbed of its terrors by the probability that if there is no water there may be fewer typhoid fever germs.

The problem of the fuel of the future which worries some people is nothing to the problem of how to raise the money to pay for the fuel of the present cold snap.

It is a trifle rough on papa that before he has a chance to clean up the Christmas bills, he is compelled to finance the more rapid workings of the gas meter.

In praising the administrations of former President Cleveland, former Senator Hill again makes clear the difference between hindsight and foresight.

Mr. Cleveland's blushes were spared by his absence from the banquet to the illustrious son, but his ears must have burned.

People will now begin to wonder whether the dinner to McClellan's illustrious son had any political significance.

The McClellan banquet will always be associated in the public mind with a frost that closed up the water pipes.

It may be remarked with malice toward none that these are cold days for candidates for councils.

Any pumpkins left outdoors these nights would be sure to have frost on them in the morning.

At this stage of the game the Ohio River improvement association ought to be able to cut some ice.

The revolutions in Santo Domingo are not a circumstance to those of the natural gas meter.

Don't shoot the weather man. He also is a sufferer, and is doing the best he can.

Burst water pipes have made their appearance in the most exclusive homes.

Next July this cold snap will not seem so much of a hardship.

No reward is offered for the return of the Judge Parker boom.

One Way of Settling It.

The Isthmus question would settle itself if the Colombian army were brought up to New York and put in the county jail.—St. Paul Globe.

The Quiet Observer

ERASMUS WILSON.

What would you like to know?

Or, do you know what you would like to know? Have you ever thought it over?

We are always blowing about what we would like to know, and some of us do a little blowing about what we do know.

And then there are a lot of people who think they are hungering and thirsting after knowledge when they are not. They think that because they would like to know as much as some others that they are anxious to know. These do a lot of talking, but make little or no effort to gain knowledge or secure wisdom.

Any person possessed of fair common sense may know anything he wants to know that is knowable.

And anyone who is clever with tools, and possesses a reasonable knowledge of mechanics, may become highly successful in the world of mechanics.

So may anyone who possesses business traits and has a taste for finances, become a millionaire, once or many times over.

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"These come by laying on of hands," was said to one who wished to purchase the gifts of heaven for money.

The same, in effect, may be said to those who desire the secrets of success in this life, or rather, desire the fruits of success without enduring the toil and labor which they represent.

The man who wants to know anything that is known may do so at very little cost, provided he is able to comprehend it.

To be able to understand, and to comprehend anything out of the ordinary one must be educated to a degree, and have some practical training and experience along that particular line. If he has not these, all great or delicate matters are dark and dense, while their literature is dead language.

Every young man knows that when he became possessed of a strong desire to learn to play cards, or golf, or hockey, or anything of the sort, he found a way, not only to obtain the necessary instruction, but to get into the game.

And any woman knows that when she wants to find out how or where her neighbor got this or that, she never let's up until success has crowned her efforts. And yet these same enterprising women may think they have neither the health nor strength to keep their houses in order.

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Less than half of the energy expended in finding out things that yield no profit, that help no one, that add nothing to the pleasure and comfort of our neighbors, if expended properly and where it would do most good, would place us away up in the scale of knowledge.

But it seems that most of us would rather stand under the tree and sigh for the persimmons or wait to get a few that some more nervy, enterprising fellow has knocked off after a difficult and dangerous climb. Although he has brought the coveted fruit down, and it is his by virtue of his own efforts to secure it, we claim it by right of capture, and retain it by right of might, our ability to do so.

If you know what you want, and have an earnest desire to obtain it, you will get there, provided you have the nerve, and patience to labor and wait.

The trouble with most people is that they don't know what they want. That is, don't know definitely. In a general way they want money and all that it will buy, but fortunately for the world money does not come for the wishing, or in answer to begging letters or personal solicitation.

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Now, when you come to think about it, what is it that you really desire?

Of course, you understand that you cannot really desire that which cannot be obtained through human means and by human effort.

A physical weakling cannot really desire to become an athlete. He may admire physical strength, but knowing he cannot have it he does not desire it; that is, he makes no effort to obtain it.

If you have reasonable health and strength you have a perfect right to aspire to be an athlete, a scholar, a capitalist, a statesman, or anything in the way of an honorable, useful calling. And if you keep your heart on one of these and direct your thoughts and your energies toward the point in view, you will get there, sure.

But you may stand around and argue, blow and swear until you are black in the face only to find yourself still farther away. To get there you must keep moving thereward.

The most successful men the world has ever seen had no better start than you, and many of them not as good. Nor did great men seek them out and clothe them with wealth and power until after they had gained power and wealth by their own efforts. Successful men are ever on the lookout for young men whose success shows that they have an earnest ambition to become famous and great, and are determined to get there unaided if necessary.

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Education is the chief element of success in this age of the world.

By education, as used here, is meant something more than schooling. It means the development of the characteristic traits of the individual. Every man has his strong point, and is peculiarly apt for some particular line of work. Education brings these out and renders them available to the fullest extent.

This is being generally accepted by practical educators everywhere; hence the growing popularity of technological schools, and colleges, in which students may select courses of study instead of being compelled to take the regular courses arranged by old and often unpractical scholars.

Following is a summary of a paper on this phase of the subject by Dr. D. A. Tompkins of Charlotte, N. C., which may be of value to those who are anxious to make the best possible use of their talents and energies:

"At the age of 35 years the earning capacity of a man with a common school education and special training is 12½ times greater than that of an illiterate and untrained man; that the earning capacity of a man with a college education and training is 87½ times greater than that of the illiterate and untrained man, and the earning capacity of a man with university education and training is 50 times greater than that of the illiterate and untrained man.

"Thus it follows that the value to the commonwealth of a man with university education and proper training for his business is 50 times greater than the value of the illiterate and untrained man. This is a sufficient answer to all that class of young men who are asking themselves the question whether, as a business proposition, a college or university education will pay. We believe that it is coming to be an acknowledged fact that the young man with the general education or university training will have the decided preference with the management of our large business concerns. At least this is what the Iron Age, a publication of the highest authority in the business world, seems to think. From a utilitarian point of view it thinks the college education pays. It says:

"'All of our great corporations and manufacturing concerns seek the college man, but in no sense do they seek him because of his familiarity with their business or with any detail of their transactions; neither do they want him for the smattering of knowledge he may be able to devote to their interests. They take him solely for the training he has gone through, and not for the wisdom that may be stitched in the lining of his cap. That training the man of affairs can further develop along lines which will be useful to him. The having learned how to learn is of vastly more importance in actual operations than all the learning absorbed in any course of four years."

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Sailed January 5.

New York—Kronprinz Wilhelm, for Plymouth; Hohenzollern, for Genoa; Prinz Oskar, for Naples.
Lizard—Columbian, from Boston, for London.
Genoa—Lombordia, for New York.
Brow Head—Saxonia, from Boston, for Liverpool.

Arrived January 5.

New York—Sardegna, from Genoa; Ivernia, from Glasgow.
Glasgow—Corinthian, from New York; Sardinian, from Boston.
London—Minneapolis, from New York.
Moville—Parisian, from Halifax, for Liverpool.
Marseilles—Victoria, from New York.
Sydney, N. S. W.—Ventura, from San Francisco, via Honolulu and Auckland.

Talked of in New York

GEORGE C. JENKS.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Of all the thoughtful men who have expressed themselves on the question of preventing fire panic in theaters, Andrew Carnegie is quoted in New York oftener than anyone else. His letter to a distinguished correspondent, printed all over the world by this time has, to use his own words in connection with the recent editorial utterance, "gone to the root of the matter." It is so seldom that Mr. Carnegie is heard from in connection with theaters at all that his letter has been generally commented on. It is comforting to many persons interested—any everyone is interested more or less—that there is promise of practically unlimited funds if a logical method of dealing with the great fire danger in theaters can be devised. The putting of an extra fireman into each of a dozen theaters in this city during performances is a wise precaution, but it is not enough.

Mr. Carnegie said in his letter that he sat in the Metropolitan opera house, listening to the music of "Parsifal," and admiring the delicate scenery. But he could not forget that a spark would set the beautiful palace in flames in an instant. He is decidedly in favor of noncombustible scenery and draperies being used on the stage. There is every probability of Mr. Carnegie taking an active part in any general movement to make New York theaters safer. His letter is a subject of general discussion in this city today.

Beyond Wagner's Dreams.

"Parsifal" has found his way into trade with a fervor that Wagner probably never thought likely. We have in New York "Parsifal" neckties, "Parsifal" opera cloaks, "Parsifal" gloves and in some of the German restaurants, "Parsifal" steaks. Of course, there will be a "Parsifal" cigar and now we are looking for the dime museum (there is only one left in New York) to bring forward a "Parsifal" family of freaks, with an "armless wonder," a snake charmer, and a bearded lady, included. New York has the "Parsifal" fever and has it bad.

Furnaces are Inadequate.

The cold snap has impressed one chilly fact on the flat dweller and apartment house denizens. That is that the furnaces and steam heaters of large buildings in Manhattan are inadequate in the midst of such sharp weather as we have now. In many houses where the heat under ordinary conditions may be almost stifling there are draughts that put a hoarfrost on the window panes and make people indoors wear furs and overcoats in sheer desperation. Even some of the hotels, which are regarded as first-class, have been unable to keep properly warm. Most of the heating apparatus in use having been there for some years, has become old-fashioned according to present day views, so some of the newer apartment hotels there is more comfort, but even they are not all warm enough. The situation may be summed up in the statement that New York does not expect waves as severe as this one, and that its buildings are generally equipped to stand only moderate cold. There are many things to be said in favor of the good old base burner of former days—when there is no full flow of natural gas at your disposal.

Would Not Wear Rubbers.

Overshoes are in greater demand than usual this winter. The shoe store manager has told me that it was a certain indication that times were not so good as they used to be. He explained it by saying that many men buy overshoes to cover up their worn shoes. If they could afford new shoes they would not wear rubbers. This may be true to some extent, but the fact that there has been a foot or two of snow in New York and still more in the suburbs, for a week, seems reason enough for one to wear rubbers, no matter what the condition of his shoes. Still, the shoe manager spoke as one having expert knowledge.

Nordica Would Make Sacrifice.

Lillian Nordica may be in fear of her life from some unknown enemy, as she has allowed it to be publicly announced that she is, but certainly she is not keeping herself confined to her apartments, or showing any apprehension when she goes out. She was driving in Fifth avenue today, well wrapped in furs, and seemed to be as calm and composed as she always is. Possibly, she was keeping a sharp lookout for sneaking foes, and it may have been that detectives were close at hand in case of need. But if looked as if Madame Nordica were merely taking a drive for a social call or to shop. At all events, there was no hunted look in her expressive eyes.

Would Look Well in Fiction.

New York has had more than its share of fires since the cold snap set in. Thawing pipes and trying to get rooms abnormally warm are the most numerous causes of fires. Firemen are kept on the jump, and some of the thrilling scenes that they accomplish would look well in works of fiction.

Met His Personal Friends.

"The King is dead; long live the king," is a sentiment which applies to others than crowned heads. It may be taken figuratively in New York now. At the dinner given to Seth Low at the University club last evening the persons who met to do honor to the late mayor were only his personal adherents, most of whom had been dropped out of office with him. The men who are a power in the administration of New York stayed away. They may not have had invitations, it is true, but the general understanding was that they would not care to go anyhow. Mr. Low is not only a private citizen today, but an obscure one. He got a loving cup, but the inscription on it was of an almost painfully formal nature. As for the dinner, no one particularly seemed to know or care anything about it. Mr. Low is simply fading away; that is all.

Office Is Bothersome.

Every police commissioner who has taken hold of that tiresome office since the board of police commissioners gave way to a single head, has said at the beginning that he meant to be police commissioner wholly and solely. He would not allow anyone to infringe on his prerogatives. Commissioner McAdoo has just delivered himself of the usual dictum. There is this in favor of McAdoo, however, that he has shown already, in other positions, that he is a man to govern when necessary. A disciplinarian, as well as a man of affairs, he is just the man for such an office as he has taken. At least, it looks like it. The highest compliment that could be paid to him is the trembling attitude of the force, as a whole. They have not been so watchful of a commissioner since Devery was deputy, and practically head of the department.

Pittsburghers Leasdd a Theater.

Nelson Roberts, formerly a well-known Pittsburgh manager who has built a theater in Harlem, to be known as the Harlem Auditorium, has just leased it for 20 years to Percy Williams, who will open it in April with high class vaudeville. Mr. Roberts has several other enterprises on hand, he says, and could not give the time necessary for the management of the theater. It is the newest place of amusement to be built in Greater New York.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

Waldorf-Astoria.
Mrs. B. Thaw.
T. W. Smith.
J. M. Hansen.
Miss M. A. Gillespie.
Miss M. Watt.
Miss E. G. Stephenson.
Miss M. L. Smith.

Holland.
John McLeod.
W. B. Dalsheger.
A. B. Harlow.

Savoy.
J. J. Mead.

Herald Square.
H. C. Allen.
H. R. Edelman.
G. A. Cadwallader.
T. A. Murter.
Louis Kolb.

Imperial.
W. W. Kerr.
A. R. Gray.
Clarence Morrow.
J. M. C. Duncan.
J. Hofman.
J. H. McFarland.

Manhattan.
H. A. Carpenter.
Mrs. W. R. Thompson.
The Misses Thompson.
George C. Smith.
F. P. Coleman.
Mrs. J. C. Arnold.
Miss Arnott.
H. A. Fanton.
D. Gray.
J. H. Bell.

Gregorian.
Mrs. W. Shoebottom.

Astor.
S. Davis.
A. Goldman.
G. Keenan.
W. D. Bigler.

Murray Hill.
Mrs. William Arnott.
Miss Ruth Somerville.

Fifth Avenue.
C. M. Logan.

Marlborough.
Miss M. Gaitz.
R. S. Hodges.

Broadway Central.
L. Koth.
F. C. Wardell.
W. Gilbert.
D. M. Burley.
T. J. Bennett.

Grand Union.
A. D. Fuks.

Darlington.
S. E. Davies.
C. N. Wake.

Rossmore.
J. M. Fallon.
Mrs. Fallon.

St. Denis.
A. M. Brown.
F. W. Thorp.
G. M. Pearson.

Continental.
Mrs. Kate Goff.

Nation's Capital

L. W. STRAYER.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The administration scored again today in the Panama matter. Senator Lodge made a speech that answered the points raised by Senator Gorman and other Democratic orators and which fitted in admirably with the able messages sent to congress by the president. In the speech he delivered just before the holiday adjournment Senator Gorman raised the strongest objections to the policy of the administration on the isthmus of Panama and referred to the president as a "second Napoleon," claiming that in the recognition of the republic of Panama he had usurped the constitutional powers of congress. Each of these points were so completely answered and refuted by Senator Lodge today that there would seem to be room for no further argument on the subject.

Mr. Lodge quoted precedent after precedent, from the time when Washington accorded recognition to the republic of France down to the present day, all showing that in receiving the minister from Panama and in sending one to that country President Roosevelt had followed the course pursued by the greatest men of our history. To prove that the recognition of new nations is a function solely of the executive he cited decisions of the supreme court leaving upon the subject directly and so firmly as to positively dispose of any such objection.

Speech Was an Argument.

There was no attempt at rhetoric or eloquence, although Senator Lodge is always a pleasing speaker, and there was no fulsome praise of the president, although the personal relations between the president and senator are of the closest, but the speech was an argument, an array of facts taken from history. A strong impression was made upon the senate as the arguments and objections of the Democrats were taken up, one by one, and their fallacy exposed in the light of truth. Senator Henry Mr. Lodge's colleague, who made the speech that opened the way for the Democratic tirade against the president, was not present, but after reading this address and the president's message his conscience may be calmed to such an extent that he can see his way clear to think and vote with his party on this question from now on.

In spite of the broadsides that have been hurled at them by the president and Senator Lodge, the Democrats say they do not intend to desert the Panama issue. It was scarcely expected that they would since it is the only one they have left. As an evidence that they propose to keep on fighting, Senator Gorman this afternoon introduced a resolution calling upon the president for more information regarding Panama, the tenor of which is to show conditions that the Democrats hope to utilize to their advantage. There is little likelihood of the resolution passing, but it will give an opportunity for more oratorical pyrotechnics.

Prince Cupid in Prison.

The Hon. Jonah K. Kalanianaole, otherwise known as Prince Cupid, delegate to congress from Hawaii, awoke this morning in a cell at the central police station, with a dark brown taste in his mouth and a vague recollection of cocktails, policemen and trouble. According to the police record Prince Cupid, while navigating up Pennsylvania avenue with a heavy cargo aboard that gave him a decided list to starboard, along about midnight became involved in an altercation with Charles Clergé, a negro. A policeman tried to settle the dispute, but his efforts were of no avail and the upshot of the matter was that both Cupid and Charlie were loaded into the patrol wagon and sent to the station house.

When the sergeant in charge learned the identity of the distinguished prisoner he suggested that Prince Cupid put up a forfeit of $5 and depart, but the proud descendant of Kamehameha stood upon his dignity and refused to do this, although he had plenty of money on his person. He declined all offers of assistance and there was nothing left for the police but to assign him to a cell. This morning he climbed into the "black Maria" with a crowd of vagrants, drunks and disorderlies and was hauled to police court where he asked for an immediate trial. But some friends had learned of his affair and they deposited a forfeit and his case continued until Thursday.

In the meantime Cupid says he will summon witnesses who will acquit him. Mr. Kalanianaole holds a position as a member of congress and was exempt from arrest, and it is understood that he will set up this plea at his trial. However, if the police charges are substantiated this plea will not avail as the Constitution provides that "senators and representatives shall in all cases except treason, felony and breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest during their attendance at the session of their respective houses, and in going to and returning from the same."

The policemen who made the arrest in this case are willing to swear that Prince Cupid committed a breach of the peace that could be heard from one end of the avenue to the other, and if such is the case the Constitution may not apply.

"Stand Pat" Phrase Analyzed.

The Congressional Record is not always the most interesting publication in the world, but once in a while some good things get into it, things that give a spice to the heavier material of which statesmen's speeches are made. In today's issue of the Record is a speech delivered in the house on December 17 by Representative Burgess of Texas, in which the following appears:

"I propose to discuss briefly the recently much perverted expression which has been injected into political literature. It is a coupling of two words, 'Stand pat.' It could not be expected that a Texan understands what this means. Out of deference to the gentlemen from Iowa (Mr. Hepburn) who is prone to wit, the Texan will, being uninformed, take occasion to look into the origin and history of this expression.

"It comes from the lips of one of the greatest players in the great American game of politics, Senator Hanna, of Ohio, who might, in the light of recent events, be aptly termed the suppressed possible president of the United States.

"Knowing the gift of the senator as I do, for being apt in phrase as in other things, I was led to inquire more diligently into the origin of this expression. I found that it belonged to the great American game commonly called 'poker' and that it means to play a hand dealt, without drawing any more cards.

"I found further, however, that it is not invariably true that a man who 'stands pat' has a hand which justifies him in betting his money; but that is occasionally happens, and possibly it will in the coming presidential campaign, wherein the head of the senator from Ohio has been turned over to be played by the strenuous gentleman from New York, that in the showdown the player may be bluffing and have only a 'bob-tailed flush.'"

Answers to Correspondents.

A. W. Hawkins, Elkton, O.—The president of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company is A. J. Cassatt, Philadelphia, and the president of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company is Oscar G. Murray, Baltimore, Md.

IT IS TO SMILE.

Most wives are inconsistent.
When husbands drive them to it,
They say "It's no use talking,"
Then go right to and do it.
—Philadelphia Ledger.

Shoe Clerk Boarder—How do you know she has been engaged before?

Cravat Clerk Boarder—Because the upholstery of the sofa is all broken down at one end.—Cleveland Leader.

"Riches hab wings," said Uncle Eben, "an some folks 'pears to hab as much trouble managin' 'em as if dey was a flyin' machine."—Washington Star.

First Child—My father's got so much money he doesn't know how to spend it.

Second Child—That's nothing. My father's got so much money that mother can't spend it.—The New Yorker.

"Your new company is capitalized at $40,000,000."

"Great! Let me see your prospectus."

"Oh, we haven't got out a prospectus yet. The—the darned printer wants $12 pay in advance.—Puck.

Mrs. Goodun—Now, after that nice hot coffee perhaps you'll be able to split some kindling.

Woodsit Tinkloff—Sorry, mum, but I forgot to tell yer I'm a coffee fiend, and yer well-meant kindness has broke me nerves all up so I must have perfect rest.—Chicago News.

The Death Roll

Charles W. Devellin.

Charles W. Devellin, 69 years old, one of the oldest draymen of Pittsburgh, died yesterday of pneumonia at his home, No. 76 Coe street, Glenwood. He was born in Westmoreland county, Pa., and had been a resident of this city for many years. He is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Mateer and Mrs. McCullough of Glenwood; Mrs. Newton of Bellevue and the Misses Mary and Nannie, at home, and two sons, John W. of Allegheny and Charles O. of Chicago, and one sister, Mrs. W. G. Gilob of Sewickley. Funeral services will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran church, Glenwood, tomorrow at 1 o'clock p. m.

Rev. Daniel W. Townsend, D. D.

The funeral of the Rev. Daniel W. Townsend, D. D., whose death occurred at Meadville, took place yesterday from Old Unity Presbyterian church, near Latrobe, Pa., which he served for 12 years. There were many beautiful floral tributes. The remains were buried in Unity cemetery. The ministers who took part in the services were the Rev. W. J. Carr, the Rev. Ebenezer Black, the Rev. J. C. Hill, of Latrobe; the Rev. R. C. Hays, Jeannette town; the Rev. E. J. Lindsey, Greensburg, and the Rev. G. W. Funk of Beatty.

Samuel Lount Soules.

Samuel Lount Soules, one of the last pioneers of the province of Ontario, Can., and a member of the house of commons of that province, died at the residence of his daughter in St. Louis. After funeral services there today the body will be taken to Barrie, Ont., for interment.

Benton L. Bebee.

Benton L. Bebe, editor and publisher of the Times, a publication of the Baptist church of the United States, died suddenly at his home in Middletown, N. Y., yesterday. Kidney trouble was the cause. He was 78 years old.

Obituary Notes.

Mrs. J. S. Galley, aged 61, died yesterday at her home in Peters township, where funeral services will be held tomorrow at 1 o'clock p. m.

John Reid, of the firm of Reid, McNally & Co., died yesterday in Chicago, from Bright's disease. Mr. Reid was born in Paisley, Scotland.

Beverly Burton, formerly professor of chemistry at the University of Pennsylvania, died in Munich, where he had lived a number of years.

C. C. McNutt, aged 77 years, died at Warren, O., yesterday from paralysis. He was a prominent citizen and identified with many interests.

Mrs. B. J. Sykes of Troutville, Pa., a sister of P. O. Frear, C. H. Frear, and Mrs. W. A. Jordan of Punxsutawney, died Monday night of Bright's disease, aged 46 years.

Richard Price Hallowell, an abolitionist and an associate of William Lloyd Garrison, died at Medford, Mass. He was born at Philadelphia in 1800 of Quaker parentage.

Jesse Tuttle, one of the most prominent boat builders along the Ohio river, died Tuesday morning at his home in West Wheeling, near Wheeling, aged 67 years. He was a pioneer river man.

J. H. Hogan, aged 50 years, died yesterday afternoon of typhoid fever at Kittanning, Pa. He was a member of company K, One Hundred and Fourth regiment Pennsylvania volunteers, during the civil war.

Count A. J. Moore died at Moorefort, Tipperary, Ireland, yesterday. Count Moore was born in 1840 and was a former member of parliament. He was created a count and commander of the order of Gregory by the late Pope Leo XIII.

Death visited the home of Fred Boldt, Sr., twice in 24 hours, at Youngstown, O., yesterday. Mrs. Boldt died after an illness of several weeks and her son, Fred Boldt, Jr., who has been a cripple all his life, followed. They will both be buried Thursday.

Alexander Cameron, who arrived from Scotland five months ago to secure work, was found dead in bed about noon yesterday at his apartments in the home of S. W. Hastings, 1 South Beaver street, New Castle, Pa. Cameron was 35 years old and a machinist.

William J. Malone, aged 58, son of the late M. L. Malone, who supervised the erection of the Pittsburgh Federal building, is dead at his home, No. 1909 Fifth avenue. He is survived by his mother and several brothers. He was a member of the Epiphany pro-cathedral.

Mrs. William Copley died at her home in Jenkinstown, Pa., Monday evening aged 51 years. She was the widow of William Copley, a former clerk on the Pittsburgh & Western railroad, who was killed in a wreck January 27, 1902. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. J. B. Mcland of Ford City and Mrs. J. M. Stanplace and two sons.

John W. Byerly, a prominent contractor at his home at Scottdale yesterday from paralysis. Mr. Byerly was transacting business Monday afternoon and appeared to be in usual health. After returning home he complained of being ill and in a few minutes became unconscious from which he never recovered. Mr. Byerly was 46 years old and leaves a wife.

Mrs. Mary Jane Montgomery, one of the oldest residents of New Castle, Pa., died late Monday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jane Boyd, of Wallace street. She was born in Ireland 83 years

ALTH EXPENSE HALF A MILLION

Another Bond Issue Recommended by Finance Committee to Meet Deficit.

MOORE'S ESTIMATES TAKEN UP

A bond issue of $75,000 for the bureau of health, the second one in five months, the two aggregating $300,000, was recommended last night by the finance committee of councils. Last September councils borrowed $225,000 for the health bureau in addition to $257,350 set aside for the bureau in the regular appropriations last year. The bond issue started on its way last night swells the total expense of the health bureau for 1903 to $557,350.

The two bond issues were made necessary owing to the failure of the finance committee at the beginning of last year to appropriate enough money to meet the expense of combating smallpox.

Director Harry Moore was treated to a surprise last night when he appeared before the finance committee to urge the approval of the bond ordinance. He said he had been informed by the controller that the health funds were exhausted. This Controller John B. Larkin denied.

"I have a letter at my office from the controller stating that there was no money to the credit of the health bureau and I will bring this letter to the finance committee at the next meeting," said the director.

The controller said that there was still $26,999 in the health fund and he did not believe a loan was necessary in view of the fact that the new fiscal year began February 1, and that the finance committee was already at work preparing the appropriations for 1904. The director said he was surprised to find that he had any money at all, but was pleased to learn it, as he was being called on to pay the quarantine guards for December and January and grocery bills held up since November.

The director called attention to the fact that in addition to the finance committee and the controller not providing enough money to combat smallpox in 1903, that he had been compelled to pay $36,000 on bills from the previous year, for which no provision had been made in the appropriations for 1903.

The director said in his estimates for 1904 he had not included any appropriation for smallpox because the disease was diminishing and he believed it would be stamped out during the coming year. He said there were at present 55 cases in the municipal hospital and 22 quarantined in their homes.

Beer Claim Was Rejected.

A claim of $176 48 from M. A. Baker of Steuben street, for services for caring for smallpox patients in his home, and for the loss of goods in his bakery through quarantine, was disapproved by the committee. Controller Larkin informed the committee that he had a similar claim from the Hotel Metropole, third avenue, amounting to $840, which had been reduced to $230. The Hotel Metropole was quarantined last year and the proprietor fed 30 persons who were quarantined in his house, for which he asked the city to reimburse him. The controller said he had stricken an item of $48 for beer out of the bill. The committee recommended that the controller pay the claim when presented in the regular manner to councils.

Transfers amounting to $14,000, $7,000 of which was from the contingent fund, and $7,000 from the street repaving fund, to the Carnegie library, were approved. Chairman Stevenson explained that the library had $14,000 of unpaid bills from last year and that it had been agreed that this amount was to be paid out of some other fund this year, but this had not been done and a deficit had been created by charging the unpaid bills against this library's appropriation for this year. A transfer of $1,000 from the bureau of building inspection to the general office of the department of public safety was also approved.

The petition of several city employes asking for increases in salaries were referred to a sub-committee of three. The messenger in the assessor's office asked for an increase from $60 to $75, the assistant superintendent of electricity from $75 to $100, the clerk in the bureau of electricity from $83 to $100, and the keeper of the Highland zoo, H. K. Sease, from $75 to $90. Engineer Sease sent a communication to the finance committee and Councilman W. J. Zahniser said that he had been seen by Sease who told him that Director E. M. Bigelow had refused to grant him an increase in wages and had then decided to appeal directly to councils.

The finance committee allowed the $58 claim of Alexander McClarren, an employe of the water bureau, for his back pay of salary while disabled from injuries received in the falling of an embankment at Liberty avenue and Thirty-third street, but the committee turned down all other claims, one of Robert Rosemund, who was injured in the Pike street fire while a member of Engine Company No. 2. Accompanying Rosemund's claim was a communication from the city solicitor stating that the city was not liable for any damages because Rosemund had received $1,000 from the firemen's disability fund and was paid $15 per week for 26 weeks out of the fund. The claim of William G. Lee for the loss of a horse at Penn avenue and Fourth street was also rejected.

The committee approved the ordinance authorizing the city assessors to employ additional clerical help to compile the triennial assessment.

Bedford Basin Matter.

The Bedford basin playgrounds matter, which has been hanging fire in the committee since summer, was called up by Chairman Stevenson. Mr. Stevenson said that the women belonging to the local patriotic societies had called upon him a number of times urging that steps be taken to have the playgrounds completed. He recalled that James H. McQuaide had been given the contract in August, 1902, to convert the basin into a playground and contracted to complete it by the end of the following months, but had not done so, and that he was liable for a penalty of $25 a day for each day since the last of September.

The contract was awarded McQuaide for $1,500 and he was paid $800 last April. A new sub-committee, consisting of J. M. Ghas. W. J. Zahniser and George H. McNeil was appointed to investigate the matter.

The sub-committee on appropriations can work last night on the estimates for the public safety department, but contined but two items, that of the general office and the fire bureau, when the sub-committee took a recess to hold a session of the finance committee. The session of the finance committee was longer than expected and the sub-committee adjourned until Thursday night.

Director Harry Moore was present. His estimate of $30,320 for the general office was approved after being reduced $1,080 and corresponding reductions in salaries passed at the last meeting of councils. This made the appropriation for the general office just $29,240, or $1,080 more than last year.

The estimate for the bureau of fire showed an increase of $68,060 over the appropriation for last year. Director Moore explaining that this was due to the increase of salaries of all the firemen, made by councils. The director asked for $687,385, which was reduced $5,958 to meet reductions made in an ordinance passed by councils last week, making the appropriation for the next year, $682,200. The balance of Director Moore's estimates will be taken up tomorrow night.

The finance committee authorized several sales by which private bids have been rejected, to be put up at public sale, after advertised, and sold in council chamber, by Assistant Controller E. S. Morrow.

Homestead Schools Short of Teachers.

There is a shortage of teachers in the Homestead public schools owing to the unusual amount of illness in the borough. Ten are off duty and call for substitute teachers are at work but several rooms yet remain without teachers. The pupils from the rooms without teachers have been distributed in the other rooms for the present.

CLEVER THIEF HAD A WELL LAID PLOT

Alleged Doctor Married Girl in Order to Swindle a Jeweler.

THEN ESCAPED WITH GEMS

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Press Building.
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Jan. 5.

"Dr." G. J. Engleman has walked away with diamonds valued at $2,300, which an obliging jeweler had brought to his office for inspection. He also failed to say adieu to his bride of New Year's evening.

The holiday wedding was a part of the doctor's game. He had to secure a bride in order to get the diamonds. His scheme, aside from its hymenial trimmings, is not all new and tonight all of the city detectives talk interestingly of the national criminal reputation of the missing bridegroom.

Two months ago "Dr." Engleman engaged offices at 1703 Green street which were fitted up regardless of expense. Then he advertised for a stenographer. Miss Blanche Ferree, daughter of a Coatesville hotel proprietor, was engaged. The "doctor" betrayed his affection before she got the swing of his dictation, and the girl was reciprocal. They went to Coatesville, explained the situation and Mr. and Mrs. Ferree consented to an immediate marriage.

The wedding was scheduled for New Year's eve at the home of friends of the bride in Philadelphia. Just as the clergyman was about to tie the knot an officer arrested Engleman on the charge of practicing medicine without a license. Explaining this was the "work of a rival," the "doctor" went before the magistrate, engaged the services of Attorney Daniel Shearin, who bailed him in the sum of $500. At 11 o'clock Engleman rejoined the wedding party and his stenographer became his wife.

William Laycock, jeweler, 910 Walnut street, was yesterday asked to bring a costly selection of diamonds, rings, brooches, etc., to Engleman's office. He was told to bring a diamond appraiser along and he did so.

"What's your figur, for the lot?" asked the doctor. When told the price he said, picking up the caskets: "I'll buy the bunch."

He paid the appraiser $20 for his services, and asked to be excused until he stepped into his private office for his coat and hat, write a check, and then he would accompany the jeweler to the bank. But he had carelessly slipped the gems into his coat pocket when he left the room.

Laycock waited. He heard the doctor moving about, then came the slam of a roll-top desk, but the doctor did not return. After a five-minute wait the jeweler jumped to his feet. "I'm bunkoed," he exclaimed. As he threw open the door to the private office, an open window, which led to an alley, indicated the direction the doctor and diamonds had flown. His bride is at her home at Coatesville. Her parents say she was hypnotized.

CHESTER D. POTTER.

JOKE COMES IN AT DEMOCRATIC DINNER

Bogus Wireless Message From Bryan Read to McClellan Banquet.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Who is the joke on—Grover Cleveland, William Bryan, Congressman DeArmond, or the Democratic party—of the forged Bryan Marconigram? When it was read by Mr. DeArmond at the Democratic feast given as a complimentary dinner to Mayor McClellan at Sherry's, few thought to question its genuine character.

It was near the close of the proceedings when a paper was thrust into the hand of Mr. DeArmond, who was at the moment concluding his address. The speaker glanced at it, and with the consent of the presiding officer read as follows:

"Hon. Mr. DeArmond from William J. Bryan. Greeting to the Democratic assembly at Sherry's. Wish you a happy New Year and hope you will have a brilliant success. My heart is with you. Don't forget the western Democrats who polled 6,500,000 votes in 1900."

Mr. Bryan is on his way home aboard the steamship Celtic, which is due Thursday. The White Star people declare that their vessels are not equipped with the Marconi system. The alleged Marconigram did not arrive until after DeArmond had in his speech and squarely proposed Mr. Cleveland as a candidate for the presidential nomination.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Representative David A. DeArmond, who read the alleged Bryan wireless message to the McClellan dinner in New York last night, arrived in Washington tonight, but had no good solution of the mystery. He said he read the message in good faith and had no intention of imposing on the guests at the dinner. If some one was playing a practical joke he says it is as much on him as on anyone else.

"One thing more seems to need explanation," said Mr. DeArmond. "Mr. Bryan in his alleged wireless, says that the western Democrats cast 6,500,000 votes in 1900 while, according to the officials returns, the Democrats of the whole country cast only 6,358,123 votes in that year."

Chamber of Commerce Reports.

At the monthly meeting of the Pittsburgh chamber of commerce, to be held tomorrow afternoon, the report of the committee on higher commercial education, the report of the representative to the national committee on consular and civil service reform, and the report of the representative to the Inter-State Mississippi River and Levee Improvement association will be presented.

Sewickley Police Discussed.

Sewickley council last night discussed changing the form of police protection without reaching any conclusion. At present the borough is policed by four men provided by the Western Pennsylvania Police Protective association under contract. Robert McFarland was appointed water commissioner in the First ward to succeed William Kennedy, who has removed from the borough.

Present for Librarian Cummings.

Charles L. Cummings, until recently assistant librarian of the Carnegie library at Braddock, now chief librarian and superintendent of the W. F. Buhl library and club at Sharon, Pa., was on Monday evening presented with a gold signet ring by the clerks of the Braddock institution. Mr. Cummings is 27 years old and is the youngest librarian in the state.

WHO IS THERE AMONG THE READERS OF THIS PAPER THAT WOULD NOT SPEND A 2 CENT STAMP TO KNOW OF A certain, speedy cure for catarrh and deafness? We take it that there are none, especially those who want to be cured. If you'll send 2-cent stamp to Pretzinger Bros., Chemists, Dayton, Ohio, they will forward you a free sample of Pretzinger's Catarrh Balm. Experience demonstrates that this is the only remedy that positively cures every form of catarrh and catarrhal deafness. The first application gives relief. It is curing hundreds—Read what grateful people say about this remedy:

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AMERICA TO GET TWO GOOD PORTS

Goodnow Says Others Will Also Be Open to Trade in China.

HOPES RUSSIA WILL RECEDE.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—"I believe there will be no immediate war and I hope that Russia will withdraw from her position. Japan requires an outlet for her surplus population. If this is given to her and the integrity of the Chinese empire and the rights of the trading values are guaranteed, there should be lasting peace."

This was said today by John Goodnow, United States consul general at Shanghai, when questioned regarding the Russian-Japanese situation in Manchuria. Consul General Goodnow only a short time ago returned from China, where he was largely instrumental in obtaining from the Chinese government the opening of two ports in Manchuria to American trade—one at Antung and the other at Mukden.

Of the treaty Mr. Goodnow said the proceedings was carried out without a hitch. The practical benefits that will result for all parties involved were clearly set forth, and an agreement was reached without any difficulty. Describing the two ports he said:

"Antung, the first port opened, is about 15 miles above the mouth of the Palu river, which forms a dividing line between Manchuria and Korea. The American commissioners originally asked for Tatung Kao, but later we invited Admiral Evans to send one of his vessels up to decide upon the fitness of the place as a harbor. The place is at the mouth of the river and at low tide is surrounded by mud flats, making it impossible for coasting steamers to dock. Upon learning this we began to cast about for another place and finally decided to accept Antung. It is near the mouth of the river and commands the entrance both to Manchuria and Korea.

"Mukden is an interior town, but anything opened by a treaty is called a treaty port. It is situated on the great trade route from both New-Chwang and Antung to Manchuria and the Gobi region. It is a great distributing center, not a railroad center, and the bulk of trade is still carried by caravans, as was done 1,000 years ago.

"Our influence some time ago secured the opening of Mukden and Taktung-Kso. This now gives America the advantage of at least four ports."

Mr. Goodnow arrived in the city from Hudson yesterday, where he had been visiting. He will leave in a few days, going to San Francisco to prepare for his return to the Orient. He had charge of the treaty recently ratified by congress.

Patrol Wagon Wrecked.

The patrol wagon attached to No. 5 police station was put out of commission last night when it was struck by a street car at Butler and Forty-third streets. Lieut. R. H. Robinson, who was riding on the rear step, was thrown 20 feet into a snow drift. He escaped with a few bruises. None of the others in the wagon were hurt.

Negro Using Short Change Plan.

The Homestead police are on the lookout for a tall, well-dressed negro, who is said to have secured money from Homestead merchants by the short-change method. The fellow tried to swindle Vincent Vaselfeski, an Italian fruit dealer in Sixth avenue yesterday afternoon, but failed.

DEATHS.

BACKOFEN—On Monday, January 4, at 1 p. m., GEORGE W. BACKOFEN, in his 68th year.

Services at his late residence, No. 30 Stevenson street, on Wednesday, January 6, at 2 p. m. Interment private. Friends of the family and members of Solomon lodge, 231, F. and A. M.; Shiloh chapter, No. 267, R. A. M., and Masonic Veterans respectfully invited to attend.

BAKER—On December 29, 1903, at Anaheim, Cal., PERRY RHODES, beloved husband of Ella B. Baker (nee French).

Funeral services at the residence of his mother, No. 318 Sycamore street, Mt. Washington, on Wednesday, January 6, 1904, at 2 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

BLUM—On Monday, January 4, 1904, at 8:45 a. m., MARY ANN ELIZABETH BLUM, in her 75th year.

Funeral from her late residence, Leetsdale, Pa., on Wednesday, January 6, at 10 a. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

CARLISLE—On Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1904, at 1 p. m., HARRY, son of Robert J. and Carrie Carlisle.

Funeral services at his parents' residence, 114 Julius street, this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private.

CASKEY—On Monday, January 4, FRANK B. CASKEY, son of W. J. and Elizabeth B. Caskey, of Phoenix, Ariz.

Notice of funeral later.

COHEN—On Tuesday January 5, 1904, at 9:40 p. m., SOPHIA, beloved wife of Louis Cohen, in her 68th year.

Funeral services at her late residence, 5528 Baywood street, East End, Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Interment private. Please omit flowers.

(Oil City papers please copy.)

DAVIS—On Monday, January 4, 1904, at 4:30 o'clock p. m., MATHILDA J. (nee Reed), wife of William B. Davis.

Funeral services on Wednesday morning, January 6, at 10:30 o'clock, at her late residence, 721 School street, McKees Rocks, Pa. Interment at Kittanning, Pa. Train leaves Union depot at 1:30 p. m., city time. Members of Guyasuta chapter, No. 6, of the O. E. S., and members of sister chapters, are respectfully invited to attend.

DEVELLIN—On Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1904, at 8:30 a. m., CHARLES W. DEVELLIN, in the 51st year of his age.

Funeral from his late residence, 76 Coat street, Glenwood, on Thursday, at 1 p. m. Services at St. Paul's Lutheran church, Second avenue and Mansion street, at 1:30 p. m. Please omit flowers.

[Morgantown (W. Va.) papers please copy.]

FEINGOLD—On Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1904, at 4:20 a. m., at the residence of her brother-in-law, Morris Kantrovitch, No. 1516 Carson street, South Side, MINNIE FEINGOLD, aged 20 years.

Notice of funeral later.

[Cincinnati (O.) papers please copy.]

GORMLEY—On Monday morning January 4, 1904, at 8:30 a. m., WILLIAM MOWRY GORMLEY, aged 63 years.

Funeral services at the family home, 1169 Murray Hill avenue, on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

MALONE—On Monday, Jan. 4, 1904, at 11:45 p. m., at the family residence, 10-0 Fifth avenue, WILLIAM J., son of Elizabeth and the late M. L. Malone.

Funeral services at Church of Epiphany, Washington and Franklin streets, on Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment private. Please omit flowers.

SCOTT—On Sunday, Jan. 3, 1904, at noon, at Asheville, N. C., MONICA CATHERINE, wife of Louis C. Scott.

Funeral from the family residence, No. 217 Dinwiddie street, on Thursday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Services at St. Brigid's church at 9 o'clock.

WALLACE—On Monday, Jan. 4, 1904, at 7:20 a. m., DAISY O. WALLACE, daughter of A. P. and Maude Wallace (nee McGuire), aged 20 years.

Funeral this afternoon at 2 o'clock from parents' residence, 2230 Center avenue. Interment at Homewood cemetery.

[Tarentum and Freeport (Pa.) papers copy.]

WANNER—On Wednesday, January 6, 1904, at 12:05 a. m., at his residence, Center avenue, Aspinwall, Pa., C. H. WANNER, aged 49 years.

Notice of funeral later.

WELSH—On Monday, January 4, 1904, at 1 p. m., THOMAS WILSON WELSH, at the age of 64.

Funeral services at his late residence, 241 Carroll street, Allegheny, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private.

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Therefore, we have literally riddled the prices for a sale today that will pay women—whether garments for themselves or daughters—as no sale—January or any other time—ever did.

It's a thoroughly determined organized effort to force the sale of all winter garments.

And the one effective means—PRICE—is used as never before.

Suit section to be emptied as never done—every rack and case.

$18.50 and $25.00 Long Coat and Short Jacket Suits—Black and colors—silk lined Jackets—some with silk drop skirts, $12.50.

$28.50, $33.00 and $35.00 ones, $18.50

$35.00, $37.50 and $42.50 Suits, $25.00

$50.00 and $55.00 Suits, $35.00

$75.00 and $80.00 Suits, $50.00

Let people come—particularly the skeptical, who doubt a store's sincerity, and see for themselves how earnestly, in exact accord with the advertisement, it's being done.

Dress Skirts—Cheviottes, Zibelines, Broadcloths, $35.00 and $40.00 Skirts, $25.00

$30.00 and $33.00 ones, $18.50—$22.00 and $25.00 ones, $15.00—$18.50 and $20.00 ones, $12.50—$13.50 and $15.00 ones, $10.00—$8.50 ones, $5.00—$5.00 ones, $3.50

Lot of handsome $12.50 Walking Skirts, $7.50

Winter Jackets—Black Kersey, Zibeline and Montagnac Cheviot—30 and 32 inches long—reduced from $18.50 to $12.50—$20.00 ones, $13.50

Lot of $10.00 10-inch Black Kersey and Cheviot Jackets, $6.50—$18.50 ones, $10.00.

Tan Covert and Castor Kersey Coats, 30 to 45 inches long, reduced from $30.00 to $18.50—$35.00 and $37.50 ones, $22.50

Blue, Brown and Castor Coats, 24 inches long, reduced from $25.00 to $15.00

Black Broadcloth and Zibeline Coats, 27 and 30 inches long, reduced from $33.00 and $37.50 to $20.00

Three-quarter length Coats that were $37.50, $42.50 and $50.00, for $28.50

Rain Coats—Plains and Mixtures—that were $22.50 and $25.00, for $15.00

Evening Coats of Black Cloth that were $75.00, for $50.00

Black Silk ones the same—$75.00 ones, $50.00 $55.00 ones, $40.00—$40.00 ones, $28.50.

Fifty and $55.00 Velvet Coats, $35.00—$37.50 ones, $28.50

Every woman, whatever kind of garment she wants, can get satisfactory selection, and save more actual Dollars than is often actually possible.

Same inducements and advantages for Misses and Children.

Coats 32 to 42 inches long for Misses 14 to 18, reduced from $50.00 to $20.00—$37.50 and $40.00 ones, $15.00—$18.50 to $25.00 Coats, $10.00—$13.50 ones, $7.50—$10.00 ones, $5.00—$7.50 ones, $3.50

Misses' 32-inch Velour Coats reduced from $37.50 to $18.50

Misses' heavy Rain Coats—double and triple capes—reduced from $16.50 to $12.50—$22.00 ones, $15.00

Misses' $50.00 Jacket Suits, $35.00—$37.50 ones, $28.50—$25.00 ones, $18.50—$15.00 ones, $10.00.

Misses' $20.00 "Regulation" Suits, $15.00—$16.50 ones, $12.50—$13.50 ones, $8.50.

Misses' Walking and Dress Skirts, 27 to 41 inches long, reduced from $10.00 to $5.00—$12.00 ones, $7.50.

Girls'—6 to 14—full length Coats—reduced from $25.00 to $12.50—$25.00 and $30.00 ones, $18.50—$16.50 ones, $8.50—$13.50 ones, $6.50.

Girls' heavy Blue Cloth $3.00 Reefers, $2.00—$5.00 ones, $3.50—$15.00 ones, $8.50.

Children's Walking Coats—Cloth, Velvet, Cheviot, Boucle, and Bedford Cords—$18.00 ones, $10.00—$15.00 and $16.50 ones, $7.50—$10.00 ones, $5.00—$6.50 ones, $3.50—$5.00 ones, $2.50.

Lot of little ones' Red Serge Coats with "regulation" embroidery—reduced from $6.50 to $3.25—$6.00 ones, $3.00.

Lot of fine Cream Zibeline Astrakhans and hand-embroidered Cashmere Coats priced Half—$14.50 ones, $7.25—$13.50 ones, $6.75—$10.00 ones, $5.00.

Women's Waists are ticketed for quick departure.

Plain and fancy Plaid Waists that were $5.00 and $5.50, for $3.00

Lot of $3.50 and $4.00 Velvet Waists—plain and metallic dots—$2.00

Granite, Prunella, Albatross and French Flannel Waists that were $5.00, $6.50 and $7.50, for $3.50

Dollar Vesting Waists, 50c

Two Twenty-five and $2.50 Vesting Waists, $1.50

Five Dollar, $6.50 and $7.50 White and Colored Vesting Waists, $3.50

Misses' slightly soiled $2.50 Golf Waists, $1.75

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Fine Eastern Mink Furs—principally Pelerines—reduced from $115 to $75—$150 to $100—$225 to $150—$325 to $200—$550 to $350.

Fancy Ermine Collar that was $50 for $35.

Squirrel and Ermine Pelerine that was $65 for $30.

Lace trimmed long Ermine Stole reduced from $250 to $150—$100 ones, $65.

Lot of $35 Blended Marten Imperials, $28.50.

Mole and Ermine Sett that was $125 for $65.

Natural Hudson Bay Sett reduced from $300 to $150.

Hudson Bay Sable Pelerines reduced from $185 to $125—$325 to $200—$385 to $275.

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Fur Coat prices treated likewise—many of them worse as to loss.

Persian Lamb Coats reduced from $100.00 to $75.00—$150.00 to $100.00—$200.00 to $125.00—$300.00 to $175.00—$400.00 to $250.00—$550.00 to $300.00—$650.00 to $375.00

Above are specimen reductions of what's being done to all Persian Lamb Coats—plain and trimmed—some with Baum Marten—others Ermine, Mink and Chinchilla.

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Sealskin Coats reduced—examples:—$250.00 for $200.00—$300.00 and $325.00 for $250.00.

One that was $325.00—Baum Sable Collar and Reveres, $175.00

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Hockey Tomorrow Eve.
A. A. C. vs. KEYSTONES
Skating After the Game.

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PEOPLE TO VOTE ON FRANCHISES

Tax Reform Club Asks Pittsburgh Councils to Adopt New Rule.

RADICAL CHANGE PROPOSED

Pittsburgh councils will be asked to adopt a rule requiring all franchise ordinances to be submitted to a vote of the people before they are passed finally by councils, providing 5 per cent of the qualified voters of the city sign a petition. It is the referendum scheme now in vogue in Detroit, and is proposed in Pittsburgh by the Tax Reform club of Allegheny county, which has been organized about three years and composed of a body of local reformers.

The officers of the Tax Reform club are Nathaniel Greene, president; J. Watson Stuart, vice president; Clement V. Horne, secretary and treasurer; C. V. Tiers, J. B. Sharpe and W. H. Noren, franchise committee.

Messrs. Stuart and Tiers yesterday called upon Controller John B. Larkin and Councilmen W. H. Stevenson and asked them to have the referendum adopted as one of the planks of the Citizen party platform. Mr. Stevenson said he was in favor of the idea and would submit it to the executive committee of the Orphans party at its next meeting.

Pledges Asked of Candidates.

The Tax Reform club also proposes to ask the candidates for councils for a pledge to vote for the project when the new councils are organized. The proposition is simple. By the adoption of the prescribed rule no franchise ordinance can be passed finally without an interval of 30 days between second and third reading, in order to permit the people to submit a petition asking for a vote on the ordinance at the next municipal election. The rule which Pittsburgh councils are to be asked to adopt exists in Detroit and is as follows:

Every ordinance taxing, granting, amending or renewing a franchise or special privilege to use the streets and public highways, for a railroad, street railway, telegraph, telephone, lighting or other public service corporation, which may have passed its second reading, shall, before its final passage, lie on the table 30 days from and after the date of the said second reading, and within five days after said ordinance has passed second reading, it shall be advertised in each of the daily newspapers of the municipality. If within that time a petition signed by one-fourth of the members of either branch of councils, or by five per cent of the qualified voters of the municipality, as shown by the total vote of the last preceding municipal election, be filed with the clerk of councils, asking that such ordinance be submitted to a vote of the qualified voters, said ordinance shall remain on the table until it has been so submitted at the next regular election, and if a majority of the votes cast at said election favor its passage, it shall then be put upon the final passage.

Change Is Demanded.

The Tax Reform club held a meeting at the Seventh Avenue hotel last Saturday and adopted the following resolutions respecting the matter:

Whereas, We believe that the present methods of granting franchises, or special privileges, such as rights of way for railroad, street railway, telegraph, telephone and other public service corporations, have been in the past the cause of the most flagrant municipal corruption and bribery of public officials, particularly of municipal councilmen and the members of state legislature, therefore be it

Resolved, By the Tax Reform club of Allegheny county at a meeting held January 2, 1904, that we earnestly appeal to the citizens of the cities and boroughs of Pennsylvania to urge the members of their respective councils, and candidates for that office, to pledge themselves to apply the Detroit and Toronto method of dealing with the taxing, granting, amending or renewing of railroad, street railways, telegraph, telephone, lighting and other public service franchises, or special privileges in the use of the streets and public highways, by adopting the annexed rule of procedure for the following reasons:

Franchises Belong to People.

The values attaching to these franchises are wholly created by the presence and industry of the people of the community and the power to dispose of them should not be delegated absolutely and irrevocably to municipal councilmen, thus subjecting said councilmen to the corrupting influence of corporations.

The adoption by councils of the Detroit and Toronto method of procedure will restore to the people direct control in the granting of franchises to public service corporations, and will neutralize the monstrous power now exercised by the state legislature and municipal councils of conferring valuable grants and special privileges for private interests in violation of the rights and in open disregard of the interests of the people.

The adoption of this rule of procedure practically reserves to the people the veto power, and will enable them to determine the conditions upon which franchises shall be granted.

It will eliminate from councils the corrupt influence of corporations, will remove the temptation of bribery and thereby serve to create a healthy moral atmosphere in which members of these bodies, freed from the pressure of monopolists influence, will be able to perform their duties untrammeled, and in accordance with the mandate given them by the people.

Public Will Be Protected.

With the franchise interests of the city thus protected from the grasp of corporate greed and the selfish scheme, of venal politicians, their preservation will become the common care and aim of achievement of those delegated to the management and regulation of the city's affairs.

It will tend to bring together on a common ground men of diverse political faith, unify their action in matters relating to the municipal good, and stimulate to fresh hope and renewed interest in social and civic affairs that large element of our citizenship, who having become wearied and disheartened by the seeming uselessness of reform, are now grown heedless of indifferent in such matters.

The candidates for councils will be asked to sign the following pledge:

Believing that the people should reserve to themselves the power to decide all questions relating to the taxing, granting, amending or renewing of franchises, and believing that official power should be given to no one who will disregard the will of the people who elected him.

We, the undersigned members of, or candidates for election to the city councils, do hereby pledge ourselves to support and vote for the adoption of the foregoing rule of procedure of councils.

PROBING DEEP INTO BOOKS OF OFFICIALS

Every Voucher of Inter-State Commerce Commission is to Be Examined.

[By Associated Press—To The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The treasury experts, who are investigating the accounts of the interstate commerce commission, decided to examine every voucher of the office since Edward A. Moseley became secretary and disbursing officer of the commission. This sweeping extension of the inquiry is a measure of precaution. The vouchers are on file at the treasury department and will be rigidly scrutinized and compared to ascertain if there has been any tampering or other irregularities in any of the papers.

The experts have reported to the commission that the books of the office balance and that the affairs of the disbursing office seem to be in good condition. On the strength of this report, Cashier H. S. Whitehead, who is under the direction of Mr. Moseley, resumed his official duties today.

The commission, however, is anxious, in view of the persistence of the rumors and the source whence they have originated, to take all precautions, and therefore, urged that everything be probed to the limit, at the same time expressing the belief that the result will not be discreditable to any official or employe of the commission. Mr. Moseley is still on leave of absence.

Adopted Uniform Rules.

The Manufacturers' association yesterday decided to make uniform rules for apprentices. Each firm had separate rules which often caused trouble. When a boy left one firm to secure work with another he expected the same conditions. The association controls 75 per cent of the manufacturers in this district.

NEED BUYERS FOR EXPO'S BONDS

Annual Meeting of the Society Has Only One Unfavorable Report of Best Year.

CRITICISM FOR DAMROSCH

Purchasers for the 5 per cent bonds of the Western Pennsylvania Exposition society are very badly needed, according to the statements made at the annual meeting of the society held yesterday afternoon in the chamber of commerce rooms. It was pointed out that with these bonds sold the great auditorium, the largest between New York and Cincinnati, could be completed, and that when this is done there are offers which will guarantee from the rent alone the interest on the bonds. In the meantime the improvement is held up.

By far the best year in the 15 of the society's history was shown at the report, the profits exceeding any ever before realized. The receipts were $334,246.33, while the expenses were but $35,-997.60, leaving a net profit of $77,248.73. The total attendance exceeded half a million, the exact figures being 510,448.

The report of President Francis J. Torrance was read by the first vice-president, H. J. Heinz, in the absence of Mr. Torrance, who was attending the funeral services of the late Samuel C. Grier. Mr. Torrance's report called attention to the fact that the plan tried last year for the first time of having the exposition continue for 46 days, instead of 40, had proved a success. He pointed out that the exposition is the only financially successful enterprise of the kind in the country. He stated that the only regret is to be found in the absence of subscriptions for the bonds, saying the bonds are an investment of a substantial character and that the success of the exposition is now beyond all peradventure. The increase in the receipts from concessions, 28 per cent over 1902, is also pointed out. In 1896 this item brought in but $15,248, while in 1903 it returned $40,577.08. He ends his report with an appeal for the people of this community to come to the aid of the society by purchasing the proffered bonds.

After the reading of his report, A. P. Burchfield, treasurer of the society, stated that the board of directors of the society had so much faith in the society's bond issue that they had subscribed for them to the amount of $160,000 and had interested some of the banks in them as an investment. The fact that the property of the society is not held in fee simple had been urged against the bonds, he said, but he stated that the right of possession has still 34 years to run and is without taxes.

The meeting was enlivened by the frank criticisms made by K. E. Humbert on the two weeks' engagement of the Damrosch orchestra. One week of classical music is quite enough, said Mr. Humbert, but for this opinion he was chided by D. C. Ripley and T. I. Fitzpatrick, who declared themselves in favor of the two weeks' engagement of the New York director. For a little while a musical discussion was threatened.

The directors chosen for the coming year are Francis J. Torrance, H. J. Heinz, D. C. Ripley, A. P. Burchfield, A. M. Jenkinson, H. Buhl, Jr., Robert Fitzsimons, J. M. Schoonmaker, M. Rosenbaum, J. D. Callery, Charles Donnelly, Emil Winter, Morris Baer, J. R. Finley and W. A. Shaw.

The annual report of the treasurer showed the following results from the 1903 exposition:

RECEIPTS.

Cash admissions	$85,277 67	
Railroad admis.	8,390 98	
		$93,668 65
Concessions		40,577 08
Total		$134,246 33

EXPENSES.

Sundries	$ 1,882 94
Light	5,572 30
Fuel	449 10
Stationery	29 07
Music	28,021 96
Pay roll	8,041 84
Supplies	419 04
Repairs	1,893 22
Traveling expenses	159 64
Printing	296 08
Advertising	9,501 72
	56,807 60
Balance	$ 77,248 73

SALE OF THE ALTON.

Reliable Rumor Announces Early Purchase of Road by Union Pacific.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—According to reliable authority the Alton will be sold to the Union Pacific. This was the object of the Kuhn-Loeb circular asking for the deposit of stock to facilitate in the sale of the road. The response to the request for the deposit of stock has been so general as to insure the success of the deal.

The Alton will be used to afford the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific a direct Chicago outlet and the headquarters of the entire system may be moved to this city. It is intimated that the purchase of the Alton by the Union Pacific may not in any way interfere with the plans suggested for the close affiliation of the former with the Kansas City Southern.

MAKE PEACE WITH YOUR STOMACH.

You Are Certain to Lose If You Attempt the Use of Force and Violence.

You cannot force your stomach to do work that it is unable and unwilling to do. It has been tried time and time again with always the same result. The stomach is a good and faithful servant; but when pushed beyond the limit it rebels. Some stomachs will stand much more abuse than others, but every stomach has its limit; and when that limit is reached it is a very dangerous and unwise proceeding to attempt to force it into doing further work. The sensible and reasonable course is to employ a substitute to carry on the work of digestion and give the stomach an opportunity to recuperate and regain its lost strength.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are the only perfect substitute to take up and carry on the work of tired, worn-out stomachs. They are natural and easy in their work and cause no disturbance in the digestive organs. They contain all of the essential elements that make up the gastric juice and other digestive fluids and will digest any food that a strong, healthy stomach will, and do it in the same time and in the same way. They work independently of surrounding conditions and the fact that the stomach is weak or diseased does not influence them at all in their useful and effective work. They will digest food just as well in a glass jar or bottle as they will in a stomach. You can see that for yourself by putting one of them into a jar with a square meal and some water to enable it to work.

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Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are for sale by druggists everywhere at 50 cents a box and if you are afflicted with dyspepsia, one box will make you feel fifty times better. You will forget you have a stomach and rejoice in the forgetfulness. No druggist would be so shortsighted as to try to get along without Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, for they are so popular and are so well known for the good they have done and the happiness they have caused that any druggist caught without them would lose the confidence of his customers and be regarded as below the standard. His business would suffer as a result, and his patrons would go to other stores and buy their other drugs there as well as their Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

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Over $250,000 Worth of

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Entire stock and fixtures of our Smithfield Street Stores must be sold regardless of cost or value. An opportunity for Bargains unequalled. Tens of thousands of pairs of Strictly Reliable high grade footwear, all fully warranted in every particular and at your own prices—

Mark downs of 25 per cent.
Mark downs of 33 per cent.
Mark downs of 50 per cent.
¼ off, ⅓ off, ½ off former prices.

Men's 75c Rubbers at - -	50c
Ladies' 50c Rubbers at - -	25c
Ladies' 60c Rubbers at - -	35c
Boys' 60c Rubbers at - -	35c
Misses' 40c Rubbers at - -	25c
Men's $1.50 Arctics at - -	98c
Misses' Gum Boots at - -	$1.08
Children's Gum Boots at - -	98c
Men's $3.50 Gum Boots - -	$2.29

1300 pairs of Ladies' Finest Sample Shoes and Oxfords
$4.00, $5.00 and $6.00 values at $2.65 a pair.
Finest Dongola Kid—Patent Leather and Box Calf—All styles—all widths—very finest.

1500 pairs of Men's Finest Sample Shoes and Oxfords
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Vici Kid—Patent Leather—Enamel—Box Calf—Velour Calf—Cordovan—the finest made.

2000 pairs of Ladies' and Men's Fine Slippers
$5.00 grades at $2.50 a pair, $3.00 grades at $1.50.
Ladies' and Men's Slippers—100 styles.
At 39c, 49c, 69c, 75c, 98c a pair.

2000 pairs Men's $3.00 and $3.50 Fine Shoes, all sizes
Will Sell at $1.95 and $2.18 a pair.

1800 pairs of Men's $4.00 and $5.00 Dress Shoes
Will Sell at $2.85 a pair—all sizes.

1650 pairs Ladies' $3.00 and $3.50 Fine Dress Shoes
Will Sell at $1.95 and $2.29 a pair.

2750 pairs of Ladies' and Men's Finest High Grade
$7.00, $8.00, $9.00 and $10.00 Shoes at $4.75 a pair.

Warm Lined Beaver and Felt Goods
Women's Felt Shoes, 75c, 95c, $1.25.
Men's Felt Shoes at $1.00, $1.50, $1.75.

Hundreds of large lots not mentioned will be sold every day this week at Bargain prices.

SPECIALS FOR TODAY:

500 pairs Men's Satin Calf Dress Shoes	98c
500 pairs Boys' Satin Calf Dress Shoes	98c
500 pairs Women's Kid Dress Shoes	98c
500 pairs Misses' Kid Dress Shoes -	98c
500 pairs Children's Dress Shoes -	98c
500 pairs Workmen's Shoes - -	98c
Fine Wool Over Gaiters, 25c grade -	12c
25c Wool Soles at 10c a pair	
25c Shoe Dressings at 10c a bottle	
15c Shoe Dressings at 5c	

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The reductions are sharp and final—every fur coat and every fur jacket your store owns without the first reserve is cut once and finally to clearance figures.

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Nearseal Coats and Jackets Reduced

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All Seal Coats Trimmed with Ermine, Chinchilla Mink or Baum Marten Reduced

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Every overcoat in the house is included without the first reserve.

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25.00	9.00

Elegant Black Imported Kersey and Oxford Overcoats, cut from 45.00 to..... 31.50
A good tailor would have to charge from 75.00 to 100.00 for the equal of our 50.00 Overcoat of West of England Coating. They are cut to..... 36.50

Mens Suits

No halting or hesitating among the suits and Rogers-Peet gets it hard.

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9.00	25.00

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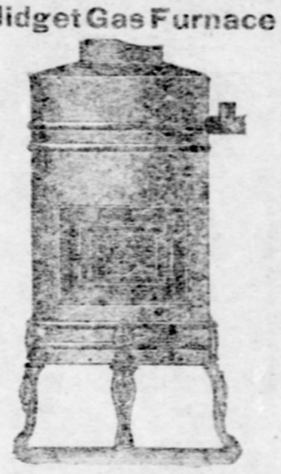

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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

NOTICE—In the court of common pleas, No. 2, No. 884, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the City of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses and assess the benefits for the construction of a public sewer in Bull's alley, from Washington place to Church avenue, Fourth ward.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the court viewers in the foregoing matter, hereby give notice that they will on the 25th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., meet on the line of the said improvement, at the corner of Bull's alley and Washington place, proceed to view over the line of said improvement, viewing the same, and the premises affected thereby, and will hear all parties interested therein and their witnesses.

E. E. PHILLIPS,
C. C. LEAN,
JOHN SAUERS,
Viewers.

NOTICE—In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 595, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the City of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses and assess the benefits for the construction of a public sewer on Harrison avenue, from Clifton avenue to connect with main sewer at Drum street, Tenth ward.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the court viewers in the foregoing matter, hereby give notice that they will on the 25th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 10:30 o'clock a. m., meet on the line of the said improvement, at the corner of Harrison avenue and Clifton avenue, proceeding thence over the line of said improvement, viewing the same, and the premises affected thereby, and will hear all parties interested therein and their witnesses.

E. E. PHILLIPS,
C. C. LEAN,
JOHN SAUERS,
Viewers.

See the Coon Hollow Folks on their tour of the world in next Sunday's Gazette.

Going away for the winter? Note our list of Resorts and Routes on Page 9.

News of the Nearby Towns and Country

Rev. Dr. H. S. Jordan, Secretary. Rev. A. L. Chisholm, President. Rev. Wm. J. John, Vice President. Rev. Chas. W. Foulke, Treasurer.

New Officers of Ministerial Association of New Castle, Pa.

PUPILS MARCH SAFELY FROM BURNING SCHOOL

Presence of Mind of Teachers and System of Dismissal Prevents Panic, at Arnold, Pa.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

ARNOLD, PA., Jan. 5.—Presence of mind and the system of dismissal used by the authorities of the Arnold public school, saved the children of the school, over 600 in number from becoming panic-stricken yesterday afternoon, when flames were discovered creeping through the floor. The school is an eight-room structure, four rooms on each floor.

Miss Isabelle Nichols was teaching in one of the first floor rooms at 3:30 yesterday afternoon when she discovered flames making their way through the floor. The principal was notified immediately and the drummer, one of the pupils of the school, was stationed in the hallway. The pupils of the school march'd out regularly and without the least confusion, and were all safely out of the building a few minutes after the fire was discovered.

An alarm was turned in, but owing to the water plugs near the schoolhouse being frozen, hardly any water could be secured to fight the fire with. It was put out, however, with but $1,000 damage. The school was insured some for two years on the east side of the hall where the furniture and floors were burned. The fire was caused by an overheated furnace in the basement of the school and it is thought the flues were defective.

No session will be held tomorrow, but Thursday the regular work will again be taken up. The principal of the school is H. A. Jackson and he had taught the children to march out of school when dismissed to the drum beating.

WILL EJECT MINERS.

Warrants Issued to Compel Strikers to Leave Company's Houses, at Boswell, Pa.

SOMERSET, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—After a six hours' legal battle Justice of the Peace Rufus Rauch, of Jennerstown, this evening issued warrants to Sheriff A. J. Coleman to eject 30 miners and their families from houses belonging to the Meyerdale Coal Company, of Boswell.

Boswell. A majority of the tenants swore that they had not signed the leases, notwithstanding the instruments showed that their signatures had been witnessed.

Sheriff Coleman does not expect trouble when he serves the warrants which will be done tomorrow morning. He thinks the company will permit the miners to remain in the houses until after the present cold snap. He says the only fear of a disturbance is caused by the Pittsburgh officers sent to guard the company's property.

FINLEY LEAVES ESTATE TO CHURCHES AND RELATIVES

COSHOCTON, O., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The Presbyterian churches at Dresden, O., and New Salem, Pa., are enriched each about $5,000 by the will of the late Robert Finley, president of the Citizens Banking and Trust Company, filed here today. The residue of the estate of $15,000 goes to relatives at Uniontown and New Salem, Pa.

ABANDONED BABE OUT IN BELOW ZERO WEATHER

MEADVILLE, PA., Jan. 5.—A new born baby girl was found on the doorstep of James Falkinburg, Everyman, late last night. The infant was in a small market basket. The child was taken to the city hospital. It is plump and healthy and did not suffer from the fact that the thermometer was away below zero.

Negro Fatally Wounds Another.

BROWNSVILLE, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—At 6 o'clock this evening William Palmer, colored, walked into his boarding house and without a word shot William Robinson, also colored, in the abdomen, fatally wounding him. Palmer was captured soon after the shooting and taken before Justice Bowman who gave him a hearing and held him for court, without bail, on a charge of shooting with intent to kill. It is alleged that jealousy had existed between the two men for some time.

SOLD BEER AT "BOX-SOCIAL."

South Side Women Arraigned for Alleged Illegal Liquor Selling.

Mrs. Philomena Reifer, 513 Carson street, and Mrs. A. M. Weiner, 415 Carson street, South Side, were arraigned before Alderman John A. Martin yesterday afternoon, charged with disposing of a keg of beer at a "box-social" given for the benefit of a neighbor woman, who was dying of smallpox. The information was made by W. H. Senor, representing the Allegheny County Retail Liquor Dealer's Association. It is one of the first cases in a crusade just started to stop the sale of liquor without license. The defendants denied intention of wrong-doing; they also cited other "box-socials" where the same thing was done. Receipts from the sale of the beer were $2.90. Alderman Martin reserved his opinion.

H. E. Lindner, Jr., alleged to have sold beer checks at a ball held at Turner hall South Side, November 22, was fined $100 and costs by Alderman Martin yesterday. It is stated that 20 additional informations of the same character will be made this week.

PNEUMONIA TAKES FOUR IN ONE FAMILY

Within the last two weeks pneumonia has caused four deaths at the home of Edward Golla, 312 Thirteenth street, Pittsdock, and fifth member of the family, a baby of 2 years is suffering with the same disease. Edward Golla, his wife and baby, and two brothers-in-law, Michael and Patrick McCallegan died together. Patrick, aged 21, died December 25; Golla, aged 38, died the next morning; Mrs. Golla attended her brother's funeral on the day her husband died and three days later succumbed. Michael attended the funerals of his brother, sister and brother-in-law and contracted a cold at his sister's funeral. He died yesterday.

Pittsburgh's 150th Birthday.

The C. L. Magee club of the Fourteenth ward held a social meeting last night, at which it was decided to start a movement looking to the celebration by the club and its friends of the one hundredth and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Pittsburgh next month by holding a banquet. James Francis Burke was made the chairman of a committee of 10 appointed to take charge of the proposition. The Eighteenth regiment's new drill hall will be secured for the event, if possible. The musical quartet assisted materially in last night's entertainment.

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

LATROBE, PA.—James Dominick, aged 30 years, a switchtender, was run down and fatally injured by a train.

NEWARK, O.—Edward O. Shaw, aged 20 years, fell while running to work and was killed by his neck breaking.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Charles E. Crawford of Sebring has filed a petition in bankruptcy; liabilities, $4,158; assets, $1,531 01.

NEW CASTLE, PA.—James Anama, an 11-year-old boy from Rochester, Pa., was picked up on the streets here by officers and sent to Morganza.

MEADVILLE, PA.—By a court decision Valonia borough is annexed to the city, increasing the population 1,600. Democrats now claim a majority.

GREENSBURG, PA.—Andrew Fidella, a Sicilian boy, aged 16, died here of a fractured skull from an attack by robbers in Braddock about a month ago.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—The cut in the wages of the furnacemen in the Southern Ohio district amounts to 10 per cent, after a compromise. About 3,000 men are affected.

GREENSBURG, PA.—Charles E. Kruger, the murderer, is in danger of a collapse from insomnia and it may be necessary to strap him to a board to hang him.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Charles Steyre, a negro lad, was arrested accused of embezzling $11s 55 from the Starr Piano Company. He had been paying $2 a week, but had quit it.

BEAVER, PA.—Peter Despatch and Osmond Montekellicos, two Austrians, convicted of robbing Robert Bowman near Ambridge, were sentenced to the penitentiary for 14 months.

GREENSBURG, PA.—J. McFarland, president of the Pennsylvania Coal, Johnstown, and H. M. Liston of Johnstown have purchased the lease of the Mohoban hotel, Greensburg.

WAYNESBURG, PA.—Attorneys James E. Sayers, J. B. Donley, A. A. Purman, M. R. Travis and John S. Carroe have been appointed examiners for registration and admission to the bar.

NEW CASTLE—Elmer I. Phillips, secretary of the American Window Glass Company, has announced his resignation, which was presented two months ago. Mr. Phillips will be a candidate for the state senate.

BEAVER, PA.—Judge J. Sharp Wilson granted preliminary injunctions against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to restrain it from entering upon property at Rochester. The Speyer Hotel Company is one plaintiff.

MONONGAHELA, PA.—Monongahela councils apointed the following committee to have the water supply: Councilmen R. H. Robinson, R. E. Byers and Fred Cooper. Dr. C. B. Hood, Dr. George A. Linn and Joseph A. Herron.

ALLIANCE, O.—James B. Douglas, manager of the Alliance branch of the Central Union Telephone Company, has been promoted to the Akron district. He will be succeeded here by W. L. Decker, now manager of the Massillon exchange.

ALTOONA, PA.—Miss Beulah Seibert, aged 22 years, a nurse at Mason hospital, Roaring Springs, Blair county, was fatally burned yesterday morning by her clothing taking fire from a heater in the basement. Her home is at Williamsport.

BEAVER, PA.—Andrew Oliven, the Italian found guilty of manslaughter for killing Samuel Hendrickson in Rochester last November, was sentenced to 10 months imprisonment and a fine of $25. Judge Wilson scored the Rochester opera house for not having police in the gallery.

GREENSBURG, PA.—County Commissioner Hugh Price of North Bellevernon and Benjamin Steele of Irwin are new candidates for the Republican nomination for sheriff. Others are George Seaner of Greensburg, Edward M. Bryn, chief burgess of Monessen and John E. Shields of New Kensington.

WAYNESBURG, PA.—Castle Hall lodge No. 140, Knights of Pythias, installed the following officers: Commander, Herry Taylor; vice, Jesse Scott; master-at-arms, Fred Fawcett; prelate, Edward Martin; master of work, D. R. P. Eing; inner guard, Ray Mapel; outer guard, Harry A. Adamson. A banquet was held.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—At a meeting of the railways division superintendents of the Mahoning and Shenango valleys, G. M. McIlvain, receiver of the Sharpeville railway, was elected president. Rates were discussed. Others present were D. T. Murray, Lake Shore; T. J. English, Erie; A. B. Peck, Baltimore & Ohio; J. W. Riley, Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, and H. W. Thornton, Pennsylvania.

BABY DIES, WOMAN DYING FROM HUSBAND'S NEGLECT

STEUBENVILLE, O., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Frank Bonda, a Croatian, was sentenced to the workhouse tonight for cruelty and neglect. When his baby was born he refused to have a doctor and the baby died from neglect. His wife was later found in a dying condition and he was arrested.

HARDWARE MEN WILL FORM COMBINATION

WHEELING, Jan. 5.—A meeting for the purpose of organizing a combination of the hardware and farming implement dealers of Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania will be held in this city Friday. Its purpose is to regulate prices and prevent the retailing by manufacturers.

Tired of Reform Work.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—According to reports, Mayor W. T. Gibson, a Democrat, who was elected on a reform ticket last spring, has grown tired of the work of reform and will not be a candidate for another term. He has enforced the Sunday and 10 o'clock closing ordinances.

FATAL ACCIDENTS IN ANTHRACITE DISTRICT

Mine Inspector Boyle, of the Sixth, Reports 46 During the Past Year.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

WILKESBARRE, Jan. 5.—Mine Inspector Boyle of the Sixth Anthracite district, which is made up of 23 collieries on the west side of the Susquehanna river from Kingston to Pittston, a distance of 10 miles, has made up some figures for his annual report, partly as follows: Fatal accident, 46 non-fatal accidents, 51. The fatal accidents made 24 widows and 56 children orphans.

Causes of death: Fall of roof, 22; mine cars, 7; falling down shaft, 4; premature blast, 5; explosion of gas, 1; rope haulage, 1; dragged by mule, 1; shock by electric wire, 1; falling drop, 1; explosion of dynamite, 1; breaker machinery, 2; total, 46.

Occupation: Miners, 13; mine laborers, 17; drivers, 3; runners, 1; timbermen, 3; door boys, 2; foot tenders, 2; slate pickers, 2; brakemen, 1; loaders, 2.

As will be seen, the fall of roof caused by far the majority of deaths. Mine inspectors as well as Chief Roderick have frequently stated that a great many of these deaths could be avoided if proper precautions were taken. Miners take too many chances in their anxiety to get out the coal. Only one man was killed by an explosion of gas in the district during the year.

EMPLOYES BREAK CONTRACT

Amalgamated Men Will Make Individual Contracts, at Mingo Junction.

STEUBENVILLE, O., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Because the Carnegie Steel Company refused to submit a new scale to the men at the Mingo Junction plant, the Amalgamated association has voted to cancel the contract which runs until July and adopted a resolution allowing each man to make individual contracts with the company. The tonnage men will be cut 50 per cent by the steel company and laborers from $1.60 to $1.40.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Jan. 5.—The Parkersburg Iron & Steel Company today paid off its 500 union employes and posted notice that it would open January 11 as an open mill at a reduced scale of wages. The former employes will resist the non-unionizing of the mill.

FRICK COMPANY TO FIRE OVER 1,500 OVENS

SCOTTDALE, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Orders were sent out from the office of the H. C. Frick Coke Company here for the firing up of over 1,500 ovens. The ovens are apportioned as follows: Valley, 50; Morgan, 165; Continental, 200; Alphant, 200; Mammoth, 61; Buckeye, 150; Southwest No. 1, 100; Standard, 100; Central, 150; United, 50; Trotter, 50; Leisenring Nos. 1, 2 and 3, 50 each; Adelaide, 50; Southwest No. 2, 50. It is expected they will be in full blast by the last of the week.

GREENVILLE PLANT CLOSES WAGES IN OTHER CUT

GREENVILLE, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The local Carnegie plant has again closed down. The wages of the employes of the Shelby Steel Tube Company were reduced from 5 to 20 per cent. Fifty outside repairmen at the Bessemer shops were laid off and working hours at the plant reduced. All Bessemer salaried men have been cut 10 per cent and many men in the operating department laid off.

REFUSE TO ACCEPT MINISTER'S RESIGNATION

BEAVER FALLS, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—At a congregational meeting of the Presbyterian church the congregation refused to accept the resignation of their pastor, Rev. J. D. Moorhead, and it was withdrawn. Rev. Moorhead has been in the ministry 40 years, 33 years of which were spent in the vicinity of Beaver.

TRIPLETS COME TO GIRARD, O., COUPLE

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Triplets appeared in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hake of Girard, Monday morning. On two occasions previously Mrs. Hake presented her husband with twins. They have been married for 19 years and have 16 children. Hake is a well-known contractor.

Special Sale of Suits

Commencing today—Some of our very smartest suits are reduced to half and less—

A few Walking Suits—(sizes 32)—were $37.50 and $30—at

$17.50

One lot of suits—(sizes 34-36-38 and 40)—were $60—at

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A line of tan coats—regular prices $35 and $40—at

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The Only Remedy Ever Discovered That Will Give Instant Relief and Permanently Cure
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SWANSON'S "5-DROPS" will cure Rheumatism in any of its forms or stages of development. Will relieve Sciatica or Sciatic Neuralgia instantly. Gives instant relief from pain. Taken internally it rids the blood, tissues and joints of the uric acid and other poisonous matter, which are the causes of the disease. It never fails to cure Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lumbago and Neuralgia. It has effected more cures of the above-named ailments than all other remedies combined. It has never failed to cure even the most obstinate case. "5-DROPS" cures these diseases by going directly to the seat of the trouble and removing the cause.

Kidney Trouble and Liver Complaint can be cured by "5-DROPS." It is the most effectual remedy ever discovered for these diseases. A single dose will give immediate results. It goes direct to the seat. It heals the liver cells properly at work. It restores the Kidneys to their normal condition by removing the acids which are the cause of the trouble.

JESSE CROCKETT, Batavia, O., writes: "I suffered with Rheumatism for two long years, and at times was in such pain that I was unable to attend to my business. Was confined to bed for five weeks. Doctors gave me no lasting relief. Was under the care of a specialist, but his treatment failed. Your "5-DROPS" was recommended to me, and I decided to give it a trial. I obtained relief after using one bottle and was able to attend to my work. The second bottle effected a cure of the disease and I cannot too highly recommend your remedy. It will certainly do all you have claimed for it."

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If you are suffering with any of the diseases for which "5-DROPS" is recommended as a cure, write us today for a trial bottle and test for yourself its curative powers.

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COUPON No. 282
Cut out this Coupon and send it with your name and address to Swanson Rheumatic Cure Co., Chicago, and you will be sent a trial bottle of "5-DROPS" free, postpaid.

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Absolutely non-injurious — contains no cocaine, morphine, atropine or belladonna. For eyes that are

WEAK, STRAINED, INFLAMED,

Baby lids or scales on the lids.

EYE-FIX Effects a Cure in Short Order.

If this great remedy won't cure your eyes nothing will.

Detroit, Mich., May 14th, 1902.
Eye-Fix Remedy Co.:
Majestic Building:

Gentlemen—I have been troubled with weak and inflamed eyes for several days. Having tried several home remedies without success until I found your Eye-Fix, which has given immediate relief. My eyes are now well as ever.

MISS CARRIE PAYE,
272 Waterloo st., Detroit.

Windsor, Ont., May 6th, 1902.
Eye-Fix Remedy Co.:
Majestic Building:

Gentlemen:—I gladly recommend Eye-Fix and do not want to be without it. I had trouble with my eyes for over two years. After using Eye-Fix for one week my eyes were cured entirely.

Yours respectfully,
MISS JEANETTE THOMAS,
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Entire stocks of three leading New York manufacturing furriers secured for less than cost of raw pelts, and now selling for half and less than half the regular wholesale prices.

See these Furs and be convinced.

This sale is important on account of the wonderful values, the enormous quantities and the ridiculously low prices paid. The entire stocks of three large manufacturing furriers purchased by us a few days ago are now ready for distribution at unheard of prices. The reputation of the houses from which these furs were purchased is sufficient guarantee of quality.

We will not attempt a complete list of the goods, but here are a few examples:

Fur Scarfs

300 Scarfs, an assortment too varied to describe; short, medium and long, some with cluster tails, others with two large, bushy tails; the longest of these Scarfs are 2½ yards. They are in black, Isabella and sable colors. In every case their value is more than double our sale price..... $3.90

A lot of Scarfs in marten, fox and lynx, in single and double length boas, some flat pelerines, satin lined, with silk cords and fur tails; worth $8.00 to $12.00..... $4.90

Isabella and Sable Scarfs in single and double, flat, fur and satin lined. The endless variety and enormous quantity of this line makes it almost impossible to classify, but remember the prices are away below the half. The following are a few examples:

$8.00 Fox Scarfs, in single and double lengths, at..... $3.90

$10.00 Fox Scarfs, in single and double lengths, at..... $4.90

And so on up to the $50.00 Scarfs, at..... $23.90

Scarfs of mink, moleskin, Hudson Bay sable, blended squirrel, blue fox, blue lynx, black lynx, natural lynx, baum marten, wolf, chinchilla, Persian lamb, in the various style Scarfs, at prices far below the cost of the raw materials.

Muffs

In this purchase we secured a vast variety of Muffs. No matter what your want might be in the Muff line, come here and you will surely get it. Muffs in Hudson Bay sable, Persian lamb, baum marten, blue fox, blue lynx, chinchilla, mole, seal, squirrel, natural lynx, sable fox, Isabella fox, marten, monkey, wolf, bear, river mink, stone marten, brown marten, in round and flat.

Children's Furs

A lot of children's two-piece sets, Muff with combination purse; worth $1.50..... 50c

Another lot at 90c

Another lot at $1.50

Another lot at $2.50

Choice of all our finest goods, regardless of value, at..... $4.90

Jackets

Jackets in electric seal, Persian lamb, seal, etc., at prices correspondingly low.

Capes

Capes in nearseal, seal and mink at prices correspondingly low.

Don't lose a moment. Come at once. Crowds are getting bigger every hour.

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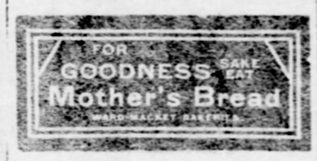

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Pennsylvania Lines.

By Central Standard Time.

TRAINS.	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Louis	* 1.10 am	* 1.45 am
Chicago, Cleveland and Toledo	* 8.15 am	* 2.15 am
Indianapolis, Louisville, St. Louis	* 4.50 am	* 10.40 pm
Chicago Limited	* 4.50 am	* 8.40 pm
Cleveland and Buffalo	* 6.00 am	* 3.05 pm
Cleveland and Buffalo	* 8.00 am	* 4.15 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	* 8.40 am	* 4.15 pm
Alliance and Creston	* 8.55 am	* 5.30 pm
Akron and Cleveland	* 9.00 am	* 5.30 pm
Jamestown and Youngstown	* 9.30 am	* 7.30 pm
Jamestown and New Castle	* 9.30 am	* 6.15 pm
Fort Wayne Express	* 9.45 am	* 5.30 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 10.40 am	* 5.30 pm
Wheeling and Bellaire	* 11.00 am	* 8.30 pm
Zanesville and Wheeling	* 11.00 am	* 4.45 pm
The Forest City Special	* 11.00 am	* 7.40 pm
Columbus and Mansfield	* 11.00 am	* 8.40 pm
Akron, Orrville and Ashtabula	* 11.00 am	* 8.40 pm
Mercer and Oil City	* 11.00 am	* 10.55 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 11.00 am	* 8.40 pm
Akron, Orrville and Ashtabula	* 8.00 am	* 3.05 pm
The Toledo Special	* 12.00 pm	* 7.15 pm
Columbus and Chicago	* 12.00 pm	* 10.40 pm
Youngstown and Ashtabula	* 12.00 pm	* 8.30 pm
New Castle and Ashtabula	* 12.00 pm	* 8.30 pm
Cleveland and Buffalo	* 1.00 pm	* 8.30 pm
Mansfield and Mansfield	* 1.00 pm	* 8.30 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 1.20 pm	* 8.30 pm
Youngstown and Ashtabula	* 1.20 pm	* 8.30 pm
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New Castle and Youngstown	* 5.00 pm	* 8.30 pm
Cleveland and Buffalo	* 5.00 pm	* 8.30 pm
Columbus, Indianapolis, Louisville	* 5.10 pm	* 8.30 pm
Youngstown and Ashtabula	* 5.10 pm	* 8.30 pm
Cleveland, Indianapolis, Louisville	* 5.10 pm	* 8.30 pm
The Pennsylvania Limited	* 5.10 pm	* 8.30 pm
Youngstown and Ashtabula	* 5.10 pm	* 8.30 pm
Beaver Falls and New Castle	* 10.40 pm	* 8.30 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	* 10.40 pm	* 8.40 am

Leave for Steubenville, * 6.40 am, * 8.10 am, * 3.40 pm, * 5.30 pm, * 11.30 pm.

Leave for Wheeling, * 6.40 am, * 8.10 am, * 3.40 pm, * 5.30 pm, * 11.30 pm.

Leave for Bellaire, * 6.40 am, * 8.10 am, * 3.40 pm, * 5.30 pm, * 11.30 pm.

Leave Allegheny for Pittsburgh, * 6.40 am, * 8.10 am, * 3.40 pm, * 5.30 pm, * 11.30 pm.

Leave for Washington, Pa.,

BRIDGE RAISING IN THE BALANCE

Secretary Root Still Holds Decision on Allegheny River Structures.

LIGHTS FOR MONONGAHELA

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 5.

Secretary Root returned to the war department today but he is not yet ready to hand down a decision in the matter of raising the bridges across the Allegheny river at Pittsburgh. He stated that he had not read the papers carefully although he took them with him on his trip to New York and glanced over their contents. He hopes, he said, to be able to decide the question of raising the bridges in the near future, possibly in a day or two.

At the request of the Pilots' association of Pittsburgh, Representative Acheson today introduced a bill authorizing the lighthouse board to establish 60 lights on the Monongahela river, to be located where necessary. He also introduced a bill appropriating $25,000 for an extension to the public building at Beaver Falls. The present building cost $50,000 and was authorized by the Fifty-first congress, but the town has outgrown it.

Representative Dalzell today introduced a bill granting the Eastern Railroad Company a permit to build a bridge across the Monongahela river from Hazelwood to Baldwin township. It is to be completed in two years. The committee on interstate and foreign commerce has reported favorably on the bill introduced by Mr. Acheson granting an extension of time for the building of a bridge across the Monongahela from Donora to Webster.

A bill was introduced by Senator Penrose providing for an additional United States judge for the Eastern district of Pennsylvania. It is stated that the business of that district has increased 60 per cent in the last 10 years.

L. W. STRAYER.

ARRESTED FOR POSTAL FRAUDS

The Government Officials Make Serious Charges Against Mine Owners.

UNSTABLE FACTS WERE USED

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Frank Jager and John Jager, well known throughout the United States as mining stock brokers and promoters, were arrested this afternoon on the complaint of Postoffice Inspector William M. Ketcham, on the charge of using the mails in a scheme to defraud.

[illegible] arrests were ordered after an inquiry into the business methods of the Mid Gold Mining Company and the Mid Gold Mining Company, of which Frank Jager is president and treasurer and John Jager secretary. Upwards of $1,000,000 is involved in the case and the postal authorities declare sensational revelations will be made when the prisoners are arraigned.

The brothers were released on $3,000 bail. At the request of Frank Jager, he said he intended leaving Chicago a few hours later with a party of stockholders to attend the annual meeting of the company at Prescott, Ariz. Commissioner Foote continued the hearing of the cases to January 15.

According to the federal officers the following mines and oil wells are included in the lists of those fraudulently misrepresented in advertising matter sent through the mails: McCabe Model Worthington, American Gold and Copper, Jessie Helen No. 2 Gold Bug, Stock to Rise, North Model Alta, McKinley, Helen No. 2, Copper Queen, Liberty Bell, Brice Monopolis, Hazel, Bacheior, Tom Reed, Copper Crown, Belmont, Jager Oil Company, Model Oil Company, Smokeless Briquette Company, Standard Briquette Company.

Inspector Ketcham said today he did not make the claim that the properties are of no value, but that the representations as to the earnings of the properties are fraudulent.

"These men have been using the mails to make representations about all the properties," said the inspector. "The only one of which our investigations showed which had made money was the McCabe mine near Prescott, Ariz. The government claims the resources and profits have been deliberately increased and the general expense account, which should have been charged against profits, has been erroneously set forth in alluring advertisement matter sent through the mails for the purpose of making a good showing for the company. We charge that sales of stock on the strength of this advertising matter have been made entirely under false pretenses.

"The government's position is that there was an impairment of capital to the amount of $87,000, and that the representations show that the property operated by the Mid Gold Mining Company was $180,800 worse off than the management represented to stockholders at its annual meeting in 1902."

President Frank Jager claims it is spite work on the part of a couple of dissatisfied stockholders.

VETOED ORDINANCE.

Burgess Ed Hickey Takes Stand Relative to Fights in Millvale.

Burgess D. Edward Hickey of Millvale, yesterday vetoed the "amusement ordinance" prohibiting prize fights, boxing contests and the like in the borough and regulating all public entertainments, which was passed at the December meeting of the borough council. In his written veto submitted to council last night he declares that the ordinance is "unconstitutional and conditions, being prepared by 'narrow-minded and prejudiced persons,' giving his opinion that the present ordinance from a legal standpoint is more sensible.

The ordinance was passed immediately after the adoption of the Kennedy-Bowser fight at Millvale by a committee of 40 citizens, and it an outgrowth of that movement. Action on the veto was deferred until January 19.

Harriman May Lake Presidency.

OMAHA, Jan. 5.—It was semi-officially stated today that E. H. Harriman will become president of the Union Pacific railroad to succeed Horace G. Burt, whose resignation was recently announced. A general manager will be named who will be the active head of the system of the road, with headquarters in Omaha.

Cold Caused Boy's Death.

DERBY, CONN., Jan. 5.—(Special)—In an attempt to warm himself, Anthony Bangewitz, 2 years old, placed his mouth over the steaming spout of a kettle while standing beside the stove at his home this evening. His mouth and lungs were frightfully scalded and he died in half an hour. The family is poor and the little fellow had suffered from cold all day.

Ex-Judge Barnard Dead.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Former Judge Joseph F. Barnard of the New York state supreme court, died at his residence in this city this morning at 1:30 o'clock. He was born about 80 years ago. Judge Barnard served on the supreme bench from 1863 to 1883, when he retired.

Some Big Bowling Scores.

GREENSBURG, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Big scores were made in the first of a series of contests between the Tuxedo and Clerks team of Greensburg last night. Three games were played, the total number of pins counting and the Tuxedos won, the score being 2,485 to 2,364. Flannery was the star performer of the contest, having a total of 679 pins.

AGAIN PROBING THEIR FINANCES

Sessions of the Shipbuilding Receivership Hearings Are Resumed.

SCHWAB TO TAKE THE STAND

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Charles M. Schwab will take the stand in the United States Shipbuilding receivership proceedings this week. This arrangement was made before the resumption of the hearing today in the action to make permanent the receivership over the United States Shipbuilding Company.

Alfred Rose, the accountant, who was on the stand when the holiday recess was taken, took the stand to finish his testimony. The re-cross-examination of Mr. Rose brought out additional details of his examination of the subordinate plants of the Shipbuilding company. His investigation of the Bath Iron works, it was brought out, substituted for an apparent surplus of $275,402 in current assets, a deficit of $5,617.

Mr. Guthrie questioned Mr. Rose closely as to the accuracy and propriety of financial statistics in Receiver Smith's report and as to the instructions given by the receiver for the financial investigation of the Shipbuilding company. He dwelt especially on certain estimates of profits included in the schedules. Mr. Rose testifying that he did not consider a schedule containing estimated profits a true and conservative statement.

Mr. Rose also testified that his examination of the subsidiary companies, aside from that of the Bethlehem company, was not thorough. When the examination of Mr. Rose was concluded the hearing was adjourned for the day without calling Mr. Schwab.

Before adjournment Mr. Untermyer offered in evidence the report of Receiver Smith, to which Mr. Guthrie offered objection, on the ground that it contained "intemperate remarks by the receiver and epithets and deductions unwarranted by the facts, making it inadmissible as evidence in a court of law."

"We offer the document," said Mr. Untermyer, "because counsel has already seen fit to introduce certain parts of it in evidence."

WAGE READJUSTMENTS ARE BEING ARRANGED

Agreement Between Employes and Management of Homestead Steel Works.

Several readjustments in the wage scale of the Carnegie Steel Company at the Homestead steel works were made yesterday it is claimed and employes who were given a reduction January 1, when the new scale went into effect were granted increases over the rates proposed in the new scale. Errors were found in the figures, it is said, and some employes had been given cuts greater than was intended.

Other employes in the plant who have grievances over the new scale have been promised hearings by the management, and the scale will be considered with each individual.

The 400 men employed in the 48-inch mill at the plant are dissatisfied with the reductions and have presented a new scale to General Manager A. R. Hunt for his consideration. The men were given a reduction averaging 35 per cent and think it is too great. The new scale submitted by the men in the department admits of a reduction averaging 18 per cent, which they think fair. It is said the men informed Manager Hunt that unless the request of a readjustment was considered they would refuse to work after Thursday, January 7, at 5:30 o'clock.

In the mill there are 22 classes of employes paid on the tonnage basis. The pay per 100 tons for one man in each class totals $41.81 under the old scale, $27.38 under the new scale and $34.88 under the scale submitted by the employes. The employes' scale, therefore, accepts one-half of the reduction.

WANTS LIGHT PLANT.

Braddock Council Investigating Practicability of the Plan to Better Service.

Braddock borough council yesterday appointed a committee to investigate the practicability of a municipal light plant. At present Braddock is furnished with electric light by the Allegheny County Light Company and the price paid for the lights is considered too high.

The borough has 118 street arc lights for which $70 a year is charged on three-year contracts, and it is expected an effort will be made by the company to advance prices at the expiration of the present contract in November next. The erection of a municipal light plant has been considered by citizens and councilmen of Braddock for several years. The success of the Pitcairn plant has added interest to the matter.

Almost every member of council attacked the light company and made speeches in favor of a municipal light. Braddock has not reached its limit of bonded debt by $100,000. A garbage furnace will probably be erected at the same time.

A company of Braddock capitalists secured charters about a year ago to build and operate an electric light plant in Braddock and adjacent boroughs. The company could not secure rights of way in a couple of boroughs and work was not started.

FEW CLAIMS ALLOWED.

Venezuelan Commissioner Tells of the Awards by the Arbitrators.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—William E. Bainbridge, United States commissioner on Venezuelan claims and Rudolf Dolce, secretary of the commission and United States consular agent at Caracas, arrived today form Venezuela. Mr. Bainbridge said that of the 11 arbitration commissions constituted under the protocols of Washington, which began their sittings in Caracas on June 1, 1903, that of the United States is the last except Italy to finish its work.

The claims extended from 1825 to the present time, 35 in all, amounting to $11,000,000. All of the claims presented have been passed upon by the commissioners of both countries who have disallowed 23 claims and warded $351,000 between 25 claimants. Only 10 claims in all went to Dr. Barge, the umpire.

GRAHAM IS PRESIDENT.

Announcement of Merger of Two Steel Cos. Into American Sheet and Tinplate.

Official notice of the consolidation of the American Sheet Steel Company and the American Tinplate Company, two important subsidiary concerns of the steel corporation, shows the selection of W. T. Graham, president of the American Tinplate Company, as head of the consolidated company, which is to be known as the American Sheet & Tinplate Company. George G. McMurtry becomes chairman of the board.

The general offices are to be moved at once from New York to Pittsburgh. The Detroit sales office has been discontinued.

Sentenced for Insulting Kaiser.

BERLIN, Jan. 5.—Herr Zietsch, editor of a Socialist paper at Charlottenburg, has been sentenced to three months imprisonment for insulting Emperor William by saying his only function of state was to receive $10,000 for each time he signed a law.

SCHOOLS WANT OVER $1,000,000

Central Board of Education Decides to Raise the Salaries of All Teachers.

LARGEST DEMAND EVER MADE

This year, for the first time in its history, the central board of education will ask for an appropriation of over $1,000,000. Action taken at last night's meeting of the board, whereby an addition of from $25,000 to $30,000 is made to the salary list, added to the estimates already largely increased by reason of advances previously granted, demands for a new high school and the money needed for repairs on the Central High school, raise the total of estimates above the million dollar mark and an appropriation corresponding to this will be asked of the city.

The increases in salaries is a victory for the teachers in the intermediate grades. At the last meeting of the central board advances were voted to the principals, assistant principals in buildings without principals, teachers in the eighth grade exclusively and to the primary teachers in the lowest grade. This left out the great body of intermediate teachers, assistant principals and teachers of writing and drawing. A complaint was started at once, the intermediate teachers leading it. They forced a special meeting of the board and put through a schedule that, as stated, adds from $25,000 to $30,000 to the appropriation.

At the meeting last night the action of the former meeting was reconsidered. Miss Steinert and Miss Loomis headed a delegation of teachers and addressed the board. Miss Steinert's speech was to the effect that while they were paid for but 10 months in the year, they must pay to live during the other two months, and the salaries should be considered on this basis. Miss Loomis asked for fair play and the same treatment accorded the other teachers. Petitions asking for an increase were read.

William McGarey offered a resolution wiping out the existing classification of primary and grammar teachers and fixing the schedule from the first to the seventh grades as follows: With one year's experience, $40 a month, and an advance of $5 a month for each year, up to the eighth year, when the pay would be $75. This is an increase of $5 on the base and $5 on the maximum paid. Mr. Easton proposed a system of raising pay that would give $29 a month more to assistant principals and different sums down to $5 to local teachers. His plan was rejected and Mr. McGarey's was adopted. This will give an increase of $5 a month to nearly all the sub-district teachers. Some, however, will not be affected this year, as their experience has not been long enough to bring any increase.

On motion of C. J. Pedder the pay of assistant principals in charge of buildings was raised $20 a month on a schedule that runs from $1,200 to $1,500 a year, according to the size of the school. Mr. Brobeck objected to this. He said the teachers seemed to be running the board and in the face of reductions in salaries everywhere else this board was "recklessly voting money away." Pedder's motion had a big majority.

T. C. Rebele offered a schedule for writing and drawing teachers that ran from $90 to $100 a month. W. H. Zietel offered one running from $50 to $75. The latter was adopted. It means an increase of $5 a month.

With these amendments, the schedule of salaries framed at the last meeting was approved. The advances given last night, with those agreed to at the prior meeting, will increase the teachers' pay for the coming year from $45,000 to $50,000, possibly more.

HAHN WILL GO FREE.

Gov. Nash Revokes Extradition Warrant Issued on Application from New York.

COLUMBUS, Jan. 5.—Gov. Nash today revoked the warrant issued on application of the governor of New York for former State Insurance Commissioner of Ohio, William M. Hann. The governor said:

"I have become satisfied that under the admitted facts of this case as they appear in the trial of the case of the people of New York vs. Daniel Myers, jointly indicted with Hahn, that Hahn was not guilty of the crime as charged in the indictment and therefore the warrant heretofore issued by me herein, is hereby revoked."

Attorney Curtis D. McBride, representing the state of New York in the proceedings, stated that at the action of the governor would not end the matter. A new application will be presented to Gov. Herrick, who will be inaugurated next Monday, and if that be refused Hahn will be arrested when he leaves the state. He must either submit to trial or remain a prisoner in Ohio, says McBride.

AGAINST THE MINERS.

Umpire Wright Decides They Are Not Entitled to the Saturday Half Holiday.

WILKESBARRE, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—What is perhaps the most important question submitted Umpire Wright of the conciliation board was decided today against the miners when Mr. Wright declared that the Schuylkill district workers were not entitled to the Saturday half holiday they demanded.

They had been accustomed to this for years and when the strike commission decided that the work day should be nine hours instead of 10, the Philadelphia & Reading Coal Company insisted that the nine hours applied to every day, and that the Saturday half holiday was wiped out. The 30,000 mine workers in the Schuylkill district went on strike, but finally were induced to resume work while the conciliation board settled the matter. The conciliation board was deadlocked upon it. The case was then referred to Umpire Wright.

GLORIES IN MURDER.

Labor Leader Kills a Foreman, Because Unable to Foment Strike, in Porto Rico.

SAN JUAN, P. R., Jan. 5.—Simplico Diaz, the foreman of a large cigar factory at Aguas Buenas, was murdered last night by Basilio Forestier, a labor leader, who was angered at his inability to foment a strike of cigarmakers.

Forestier glories in his crime and says that it was his duty to remove Diaz. He predicts that there will be three more killings withing a few days.

Anarchist literature was found in Forestier's pocket, proving to the authorities that avowed anarchists are present and active in Porto Rico.

Diaz was popular and the murderer narrowly escaped summary vengeance at the hands of the crowd witnessing his crime.

Book Agent Fleeced "Uncle Joe" Cannon

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—In transmitting payment by check to a publishing house for 60 volumes of an American historical work, Speaker Cannon today made this indorsement on the back of the check:

"This check is in full payment, both legal and moral, for 60 volumes of books called in the contract with the payee. The books are not worth a damn and are high at that.

"'We are never to old to learn,' but the way your gentlemanly agent came it over your 'Uncle Joseph' is worth the check."

CHICAGO WILDER THAN BREATHITT

Kentucky's Governor Defends the Lawlessness of Feudal Counties.

RACE PROBLEM DISCUSSED

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

FRANKFORT, KY., Jan. 5.—The message of Governor W. C. Beckham was read to the legislature today. He recommended that "irresponsible romancers" who send grossly exaggerated accounts of turmoil in Kentucky be made accountable to the law.

"It is not an exaggeration," he said, "to say that there was not a day during the past year that human life was not safer in Kentucky, even in Breathitt county, than it is any night upon the streets of Chicago or New York, from the sanguinary columns of whose voracious journals the people have been fold day after day of 'The awful condition of lawlessness and crime in Kentucky.'"

In commending the work of the normal and industrial institutions for colored people (a state aided school) the governor gives expression to his views on the race problem in these words:

"The colored people of Kentucky can solve the so-called race problem for themselves if they can reach the point where their race prejudices cannot be stirred up in every political contest, and if they will not allow irresponsible demagogues to teach them that their white neighbors are their enemies rather than their friends.

"The negro has never had better friends than the white people of Kentucky have been to them, for although they pay an insignificant portion of the taxes, they have been permitted to share equally in the school funds with the white children of the state."

TERRITORIAL GROWTH REQUIRES MORE WATER

Monongahela Co. Votes for an Increase in Capital Stock to Make Improvements.

The stockholders of the Monongahela Water Company yesterday voted to increase the capital stock from $2,300,000 to $2,900,000. The increase is for the construction of new pipe line extensions, boilers, tanks, pumping machinery and other permanent improvements.

Nearly three-fourths of all the stock issued was represented at the meeting, and the proposal to increase the capital was voted by a large majority, nearly two-thirds, 37,662 shares being represented by the holders or by proxy. A. M. Hammett acted as chairman of the meeting and Martin Prenter was chosen secretary.

After the meeting a statement was issued, saying that the company meant to keep pace with the development of territory that it has been particular about cleaning storage basins and water tanks at regular intervals, so that there is very little typhoid fever on the South Side, compared with the typhoid fever record of Allegheny and other parts of Pittsburgh outside of the South Side.

The statement says the board of managers has frequently discussed the question of installing a mechanical filtration plant, but no order for such a plant has been given, because in two or three years the city will have the option of buying the plant and then delivering filtered water from the Highland park basins. The company says all of the increased stock will not be issued, but only enough to pay for the improvements and extensions recommended for immediate establishment in the report of the board of managers, read by General Manager Martin Prenter.

THIEL COLLEGE TROUBLES.

Dr. Eisland Sues for Salary. Senior Glass Quits the Greensburg Seminary.

GREENVILLE, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Dr. John Eisland, who held the chair of mathematics in Thiel college until its removal to Greensburg, has entered suit against the trustees of the institution to recover $1,150 back salary. The suit will come up at the present session of the Mercer county court. Dr. Eisland is at present an instructor in higher mathematics at the United States Naval academy, Annapolis. It is stated that several other former professors will file similar suits.

The senior class of Thiel college has left the Greensburg seminary, as was threatened before the close of the fall term, unless they were given the assurance that they would be given college diplomas. None of them appeared at the opening of the winter term this morning and the college department will be without graduation exercises in June. The Rev. J. C. Kunzman, president of the Thiel college board of trustees, was optimistic of the future of the school today, although there was an enrollment of less than 100 students in all departments. "We have now gotten rid of the old Thiel element," he said, "and we are now working to build up a new school. We will purchase one of the finest chapels in the state and merge it with the Greensburg seminary."

CONSUMPTION IN MILK.

Germs of the Dreaded Disease Are Often Found in City's Supply.

"There are anywhere from 10,000 to 200,000 bacteria in every cubic centimeter of milk used in the city of Pittsburgh," said John C. Fetterman, professor of biology in the Western university, in a lecture last evening on "Bacteria in Milk," which he delivered at Carnegie hall.

"Few samples could be produced," said the speaker, "that contain less than 250,000 germs to the cubic centimeter. But as it happens, it is not the number of bacteria that we need to fear, it is the kind and nature of the organisms."

Prof. Fetterman took the position that something should be done to protect the young people of the country against bovine tuberculosis. He said: "There was a time when physicians agreed that few cases of consumption originated in milk. But a great deal of it now that children are very susceptible to the tubercular germ. Milk is also infected with typhoid bacillus. When several cases of typhoid fever develop in a small area, the cause is more than likely due to the milk supply. But in case of a general epidemic, the fever is more likely due to water supply."

Referring to the large amount of foreign matter in milk, everywhere, Prof. Fetterman said: "The amount can and should be diminished by a process of separation. The people of New York city alone drink over 500 pounds of this foreign matter in milk every day."

Union Evangelistic Services.

A series of union evangelistic services, participated in by the congregations of the North Presbyterian church and the Calvary Methodist Episcopal church, both of Allegheny, the Rev. Drs. Henry D. Lindsay and James M. Thoburn, pastors, respectively, began in the North church, Lincoln avenue, last evening and will continue there all this week, including next Sunday evening. Next week the services will be continued in Calvary church, Allegheny, and Beech avenues. Mark C. Baker will have charge of the music. Last summer those two congregations held union services in order to allow their pastors and choirs vacations.

Pew-Holders Elect Trustees.

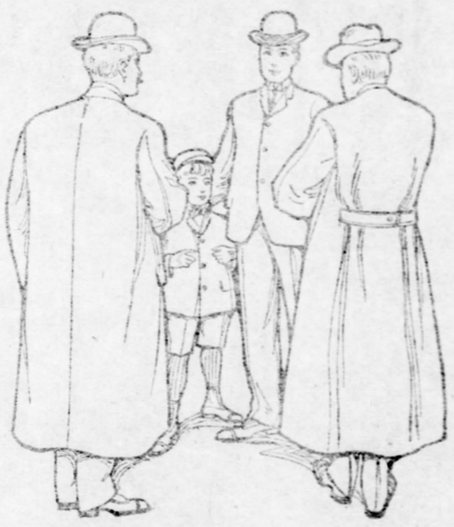
Pew-holders of the North Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, Allegheny, have elected M. Pitt, George D. Riddle, George E. Hemphill, George L. Cruikshank, A. D. Sharpe, Harry Henderson, R. R. Ingram, John Ramsay and Edward A. Young trustees for the ensuing year.

Lieut. McKelvey Very Ill.

Lieut. William McKelvey of the Allegheny police force is critically ill at his home in Woods Run avenue. McKelvey contracted a severe cold about 10 days ago, that has developed into typhoid-pneumonia. He has been connected with the force for 20 years.

KAUFMANN'S

"THE BIG STORE"



Read this clothing "ad" twice— 'Twill pay you

This announcement, big as it is, is of trifling importance as a trade producer compared with the infinitely more valuable advertising which our customers give us free of charge, by discussing the merits of this sale.

Not a man who has bought a suit of clothes, overcoat or pair of trousers, nor a parent who has fitted out his or her boy at this sale but who has informed friends and neighbors of the savings to be effected by

This genuine 30% discount offer on our entire stock of men's and boys' clothing

Every success has an imitation. This sale has many, but each one only emphasizes the genuineness of the original---thus, far from detracting, the dozen or so of imitations which the success of our sale has bred, have actually served to strengthen the popularity of this 30% Discount movement and to increase our sales from day to day.

Another factor that daily and hourly adds to the prestige of this sale, is the knowledge among the people that

Our plainly marked prices are always 20% below all others---thus making the full saving effected at this sale not 30% but fully 50%---think of it---fully 50%.

And if you find your saving even 1% less you can have your money back for the asking. And speaking on the subject of refunding money we want to repeat (because we cannot state this too often or too strongly) by all means get your money refunded if you are dissatisfied with your purchase. We can well afford to refund your money (knowing only too well that the goods returned will quickly find another buyer) but we **cannot** afford to have a dissatisfied patron.

30% discount on every garment on the men's and boys' clothing floors.

Men's suits and overcoats

Those marked $ 6.00 (less 30%), 4.20
Those marked $ 7.00 (less 30%), 4.90
Those marked $ 8.50 (less 30%), 5.95
Those marked $10.00 (less 30%), 7.00
Those marked $12.00 (less 30%), 8.40
Those marked $15.00 (less 30%), 10.50
Those marked $18.00 (less 30%), 12.60
Those marked $20.00 (less 30%), 14.00
And so on up to the $45 garments for 31.50

Boys' suits and overcoats

Those marked $2.00 (less 30%), 1.40
Those marked $3.00 (less 30%), 2.10
Those marked $5.00 (less 30%), 3.50
Those marked $6.00 (less 30%), 4.20
Those marked $8.00 (less 30%), 5.60
And so on up to the $15 garments for 10.50

Men's and boys' pants

Men's marked $1.98 (less 30%), 1.39
Men's marked $3.00 (less 30%), 2.10
Men's marked $4.00 (less 30%), 2.80
And so on up to the $11 men's trousers for 7.70
Boys' knee pants marked 44c (less 30%), 31c
Boys' knee pants marked 75c (less 30%), 53c
Boys' long and short pants marked 98c (less 30%), 68c
And so on up to the $6 pants for 4.20

Reduced prices on suits & overcoats to order

BEGINNING today we will make to your order a suit of clothes or overcoat of the choicest foreign and domestic fabrics at the following greatly reduced prices:

At 20.00 we'll now make you a suit or overcoat to order for which we have been charging $28, $30 and $33.

At 30.00 we'll now make you a suit or overcoat to order for which we have been charging $35, $38 and $40.

See the Coon Hollow Folk
On Their Tour of the World,
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Pirate's Owner Making Mysterious Move in Cincinnati

LIKELY TO MAKE PLAYER DEALS

Dreyfuss Summons Secretary Locke to Join Him and There Is Baseball Mystery.

DOINGS OF THE MAGNATES

That the Pittsburgh club will figure largely in the baseball gathering now on at Cincinnati, is apparent from the fact that President Dreyfuss, who has been here for the past two days, has summoned Secretary Locke to join him and it is known that the Pirates' owner is a deal or two on and it is thought that the secretary will be able to help him put the deal through.

Before leaving for Cincinnati last night Secretary Locke stated that the summons from Dreyfuss reached him yesterday afternoon and was something of a surprise to him, as he was not aware that there was anything on over the deals in contemplation, but was not in a position to make anything public just at present. It may be that Barney is a bit afraid of Ban Johnson and the American league combination and wants his secretary present as a sort of guard. However, nothing is known as to Johnson's action in baseball, but if he can get anything on the owner of the Pirates he will need to be up and doing all the time.

A special from Cincinnati says: "The second day's session of baseball magnates at the Laughery club was not taken up with business, but rather gave the visitors a chance to enjoy the hospitality of mine host, Hermann. The National commission got its business off its hands on Monday and did not meet today. The failure of Mr. Hart of Chicago to go to the Laughery also prevented the National league committee, which has the Davis and Comiskey case in hand, from getting a meeting or coming to any conclusion as to what will be its recommendation to the National league.

"Comiskey, to whom these players belonged, had nothing to say on the subject. He developed, however, that he, too, may ask the league to reimburse him for having been deprived of the service of George Davis during the pendency of the claim in favor of the New York club stood in the way that Davis would have joined Comiskey's team after he had been awarded to him by the peace commission. What the outcome of the cases will be one seems to know, but it is sure guess that an amicable settlement of the matter will be reached when the National league holds its meeting.

"Though one might have supposed that the baseball strike would have been one of the topics of conversation among the magnates, it was never mentioned. A new rule was proposed by Comiskey however. He wants a rule which will allow two coachers on the lines at all times. He says that coaching enlivens the game and adds to the interest.

"Have two good coachers on the lines all the time, or at least when there is a man on base, and you will help the game a whole lot," said the old Roman. "There is nothing which helps enthusiasm like coaching. The people like it and the players take more interest in the game when there are coachers on the lines urging them on. That is a rule which the American league would like to have adopted and I don't think we will have any trouble about getting the rule passed, either."

No matter how brilliant two baseball club owners may be, friendship ceases just as soon as a player is involved. Barney Dreyfuss takes exception to the ruling of the National baseball commission and until the dogs hesitate to say so. New testimony has been introduced and for this reason the case was reopened. Late tonight Ban Johnson and Charley Comiskey boarded a train for Chicago. The American league men have some business agreements, and though they were pleaded to stay, they had to leave."

DUFFY WILL BE THERE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Arthur Duffy, the holder of the world's record of 9 4-5 seconds for the 100-yard dash, and holder of the English championship for the last three years, for which he secured the perpetual cup offered to anyone who wins the "100" three years in succession, will be the star attraction in the 60-yards A. A. U. championship race at the Columbia college games at the Madison on January 30.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

The manager of the Crafton Keystones announces that games arranged with the following teams are canceled: La Belle, Fowlers, Lotheads and Manhattans.

South Side Eagle Midgets defeated the fast Bohiller Gladys team by the one-sided score of 29 to 0. The feature of the game was the playing of Bossart of the Midgets.

Homestead third team, defeated the Olympia Juniors, 9 to 0, last night at H. L. A. C. gymnasium, and the Homestead Crescents defeated the D. C. & A. C. Juniors, 30 to 16.

The Fayette basketball team of the Point will commence practice on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All members of last year's team and all new candidates are requested to be on hand.

The Lafayettes defeated the Morgans 22 to 6. While the Lafayettes did not play their usual game, several fine shots were made. The first half ended 8 to 4 in favor of the Lafayettes.

The Duquesne Midgets would like to hear from the Mt. Oliver or Rambler Midgets, Shiffler Clocks, Hillsides, Mayflowers or Mt. Washington Midgets. Address M. V. Frana, 2512 Sidney street, South Side.

The Bayers basketball team still has some open dates and would like games with first-class teams, both at home and away. Address all communications to Prof. H. E. Sayers, manager, or P. A. Thompson, captain, New Kensington, box 484.

Trenton Reserves would like to hear from 15-year-old teams with halls. The following preferred: Half-... Homestead Tigers, Knoxville, ... Beaumans. Address S. Gilson, ... city.

... Homestead Junior basketball team would hear from all 10 or 11-year-old ... Columbia Midgets, Lyceum Mid... Block Midgets preferred. They ... see by addressing Alex Brown, ... 4th street, Homestead.

... nts of Homestead last night defeated ... East Liberty basketball team by a ... to 16. The preliminary game old ... off, owing to the office of the ... Juniors of McKeesport to appear. The ... of the game were the playing of ... and Hager.

... play night basketball will be continued ... Italian hall, Allegheny, with two matches ... The big game will be a minor league ... between the Sterlings and the Pitts... Lyceum Juniors. These teams have ... fast dashing style of play, and should put ... the game. In the preliminary, North ... will line up against the Acorns at 8 ... sharp.

... Arlington and Friendship fives, both ... the same part of Allegheny, will fight ... at Mt. Oliver tonight. The following ... ton players will meet at 6:30 o'clock: ... Sutton, McKee, Fairman, Gilroy and ... ple. The Arlingtons would like to ar... a game for next week with some good ... to 16-year-old team with a hall. Bellevue preferred. Address W. T. Fairman, 1534 Crawford avenue, Allegheny.

At the Columbia Council hall Thursday night the newly organized Zangwill basketball team will meet the Columbian team. The Zangwill team has been practicing regularly for the past few weeks under the leadership of Jack Pitcher and feel confident that their first game will be won. The players and subs of the Zangwill team are Imbleboom, Rice, Ryan, Davis, Goldman, Simon, Perrine, Cohen and Cutler. The game will be called at 8 o'clock sharp.

The Acorn team will play the North Siders at Bohemian hall on Friday evening. The Acorns expect a victory and both teams will work hard to land the game. The Acorns would like to arrange games with all good teams. Address Owens Evans Co., 1307 Marquette and Library A. C. of Carnegie preferred. Address Thomas P. Hastings, Lyceum, Washington street, or William G. Johnston, Ninth street and Penn avenue, city.

The Duquesne Athletic club of Allegheny basketball team is rapidly rounding into shape, and although it is a new team they will no doubt be heard from as it is composed of some of the best basketball tossers in their class in this section. The team is composed of the following: Forwards, Bertges and Kelly; fourth forwards, Marbolf, center; Naroski and Myers, guards. They would like to hear from all teams in regard to games. The manager would also be pleased if the following teams would answer letters sent to them: Apollo, Bellone, Vernon Fosters, Company F, Olympics, Keystones of Crafton. Address William Hartranft, 182 River avenue, Allegheny.

JACK O'BRIEN REGARDS MOTHER AS HIS MASCOT

Quaker Fighter Has Always Been Taken Care of by Her When Important Fights Were On.

"Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien, who has been here for the last two days visiting relatives, left last night for his home in the Quaker City. Previous to his departure O'Brien expressed his pleasure at being matched to meet Tommy Ryan, and said that although the bout will only be a six-round affair, he would assure the lovers of boxing that it will contain as much fighting as any 20-round battle.

The Philadelphia fighter who always keeps himself in the best of condition intends to take up quarters at once at "Tumbling Run," located in the eastern part of the state, and which he claims is an ideal training spot. He trained for Kid Carter there, and says he was never as fit for any fight as that was. O'Brien says he will take along one or two trainers and also his mother, who will do the cooking for him. He says that there is a hotel at "Tumbling Run," and the eating is first class, but he would rather have his mother with him as she knows better than anybody else what is good and what is bad for him.

O'Brien, whose real name outside the ropes is Joseph Hagan, has always been a great home body and thinks there is no one on earth like his mother. She has always been first in his mind, and now that he has profited in the fighting line as well as in other branches of business, she has been well cared for. The brother, as a matter of course, regards her boy as the greatest fighter in the world and has in a measure trained and taken care of him for all of his important fights, and as he has always managed to be returned the winner he naturally regards his mother as his mascot. The coming fight will be the most important of his career and the Philadelphian wants to be in the best of shape as he fully counts on being the winner.

Tips at New Orleans.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The American and Journal selections at New Orleans:

Best bets—Footlights, Favorite, to win; Tribes Hill, Mad Mullah, a place.

First race—Lights Out, Lobbyist.

Second race—Oceanvilla, Lampoon.

Third race—Footlights, Favorite, Our Nugget.

Fourth race—Bondage, Tribes Hill.

Fifth race—Morning Star, Mad Mullah.

Sixth race—The Messenger, Malay.

City League Opens Season.

The City Bowling league opened its season last night on the Brunswick alleys. Score:

Bowlers. Journal—			
Trucks	168	195	190
Van Norman	185	162	180
Lush	147	145	161
Griffith	152	173	164
Gould	170	154	186
Totals	822	829	881
Brunswick—			
Schmitt	188	156	208
Stewart	144	160	198
Hartman	170	216	174
Wilson	195	219	204
Kramer	189	201	147
Totals	856	946	904
Exhibition game.			
Stewarts—			
Gerdt	146	158	156
Cochran	185	132	170
Warner	143	125	191
Garrett	140	178	141
O'Leary	167	177	212
Totals	781	785	824
Duquesne—			
Williams	179	126	127
Filbrook	157	122	178
Lytton	190	194	166
Hall	167	141	128
House	145	122	186
Totals	721	650	715

The Pittsburgh bowlers took two games from North Braddock on the C. A. C. alleys last night. Score:

North Braddock—			
Goldsmith	157	130	181
Higgin	133	144	140
Harper	161	182	...
McCabe	...	...	161
J. Locke	106	97	...
B. Seng	...	...	181
A. Seng	145	108	197
Totals	690	631	780
Pittsburgh—			
Brown	162	103	147
ZeBore	145	142	162
Miller	153	120	177
Dodds	122	140	165
Nichol	171	126	145
Totals	753	631	726

The Millvale bowling team easily defeated the Vendome team of Lawrenceville last night at Millvale.

Millvale—			
Hickey	143	178	112
Maiden	129	167	158
Shaw	155	97	157
Kleber	165	160	161
Thomas	190	158	167
Totals	782	760	755
Vendome—			
Rath	125	88	117
Brennan	116	150	95
Ganlith	130	121	87
Monahan	143	170	159
Heck	124	121	139
Totals	636	590	577

FIFTEEN ROUNDS FAST FIGHTING

Gardner and Hart Bout Was Called a Draw—Lowell Man Was in Sore Distress.

BOTH MEN BADLY PUNISHED

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BOSTON, Jan. 5.—Marvin Hart of Louisville fought George Gardner of Lowell, Mass., 15 rounds to a draw, before the Criterion A. C. tonight. It was a savage contest from the start.

In the early rounds Hart had much the better of the argument, but as the battle progressed the man who stayed 20 rounds with Fitzsimmons rallied wonderfully, and was giving blow for blow in the latter rounds.

The most exciting round was the second, in which Hart sent Gardner to the floor twice with vicious punches. Gardner was first to lead in the opening round, putting a stiff left to the head. They fought into a clinch and in a hot mixup Gardner put a left to the head and Hart countered with a right to the body. Gardner was first and reached the head with left and right, and followed with a right into the stomach. Hart got home a left to the head. Hart missed a terrific left uppercut and a clinch followed. In the breakaway Hart put right to kidneys and Gardner put straight left to the face.

Hart opened the second round with a right on the jaw that surprised Gardner. In fact, before Gardner could recover, Hart landed a stiff right on the jaw that put Gardner to the floor. Gardner was up like a flash and mixed matters, each scoring some hard exchanges. In the mixup Hart put left and right to head and stomach, which carried Gardner off his feet. However, Gardner came back and Hart rushed in to finish him, but Gardner put a left jaw and left to head. Gardner appeared groggy. Hart followed up his advantage, landing with left and right to head and body. Gardner was terrific in exchanges for wind. Gardner seemed to regain his wind for a second, and suddenly came back with a left and right to the head that sent Hart up against the ropes. They were fighting on the ropes at a furious gait when the fight ended.

They came to a clinch and mixed it in the third round. Gardner's clever left reached the face, and Hart retaliated with two rights to the jaw. They exchanged lefts and rights. Hart put a stiff right to the kidneys and Gardner scored with a left to the jaw that jarred the Louisville boxer. Gardner was the aggressor now. He forced Hart to the ropes and planted left and right to the stomach. Gardner missed a right, but put Hart to the ropes again with a right on the stomach which made him wince. Hart landed a right hand uppercut on the jaw. Gardner put a left jab to the jaw and landed a right in the same place. Gardner fainted Hart into a lead and landed an effective left on the stomach as the bell sounded.

Gardner was anxious to force matters in the fourth round, and lost no time in getting into action. He put a left on the stomach and then crossed the right to the jaw. Gardner tried to score with the right, but ran into a left jab that halted him. In a mixup at close quarters Gardner landed several rights on the stomach. Gardner put right to the heart and hard right to the stomach. Gardner showed his left to Hart's face, forcing the Louisville boxer to clinch. As they broke Gardner sent Hart to the ropes with a terrific body punch. This forced Hart into action, and he scored with left to the head.

The remaining rounds were hotly contested, both men doing an equal amount of punishing, and both showed the effects of a bitter fight. The spectators regarded a draw as a fair decision.

PLAY SUNDAY BALL.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Sunday baseball sounds strange, but its true. Next season will see it at Ridgewood park, Brooklyn. Championship games will be played there, too. The Greater New York club has closed a deal by which the Highlanders will play 14 regular championship games on Sunday in the borough of Queens, and there games will be a feature of the pennant race in the American league.

New stands will be erected to accommodate 25,000 persons. The park is 16 minutes' ride from Broadway, Brooklyn, Williamsburg, by trolley or elevated road.

The "fans" in this town have not enjoyed Sunday professional ball since 1889, up to 1902 every year the old National league association team played championship games on Sunday. During the years that the Brooklyn team played there, there were crowds of from 20,000 to 25,000 on Sunday.

PLENTY OF BASKETBALL.

WASHINGTON, PA., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—With the opening of college tomorrow morning what promises to be one of the most successful basketball seasons in the history of Washington and Jefferson will be inaugurated. Physical Director L. E. Kirchner has his schedule of games about completed. There will be both afternoon and night games and a trophy cup will be offered to the team winning the most games.

The majority of the players this year come from Wheeling, Washington and Pittsburgh. The present senior team won the championship last year, but a pretty race for college championship honors this year is anticipated.

RISHER STARTS ON HIS HARD BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Will Open Season April 30, Probably, With Wilmerding—Gossip About the Players.

Manager Howard Risher, of the Homestead I. A. C. club, has begun work on his schedule for the coming season. He has booked two games with the Grove City college team for June 13 and 14, at Grove City. These games will be played during commencement week there. The Intersebolastics, who will be in the field again next summer, will play at Homestead Saturday, June 18. Karr Price, the Shadyside captain, will again captain the team and it will be under the same management as last year. The Intersebolastics will open their season with Westminster college at New Wilmington June 14 and 15.

Risher plans to inaugurate his season April 30 at Homestead, probably with Wilmerding. The Pittsburgh college team, which has been getting games at Homestead, will orrils be given good dates. Risher is holding off booking games until he decides whether or not he will join the Independent association.

Risher has written to all his players and it is probable he will have his team signed in a fortnight. It is thought that Alexander Pearson will go to Altoona. His departure will not weaken the pitching force much, as Risher is in a position to get two men who did good work in certain minor leagues last year.

There will be a meeting of baseball managers at Rochester today. They will discuss the practicability of organizing a league which will take in Rochester, Niles and Youngstown and other towns, which have not been mentioned.

Don B. Doyle, the Princeton pitcher who did good work with the Intersebolastic last spring, will be with the same nine when he returns from Princeton next season. Manager Risher of Homestead would like to give him a trial at Homestead in the games played in the latter part of the season. The former Shadyside youngster may accept.

Claude Gonzale, the Charleroi second baseman who was with Niles and Youngstown last summer, is clerking with the Wilmington, Del., team for the coming season. He was with the Cleveland American league team for two days last summer.

Alexander Jones, the local pitcher, will in all probability be with the Buffalo team in the Eastern league again next season. Jones started last year with Detroit, then went to Buffalo, where he beat the Toronto in four games. Providence was shy of pitchers and Jones was loaned to that club. Buffalo now wants him back. Jersey City, which won the championship in the Eastern, wanted him and Alex. was rather anxious to be on that club's pay roll.

"Old Smiles" Wolf, the Allegheny pitcher who is a half brother to Bill Phillips, the old Cincinnati pitcher, who will manage the Indianapolis club the coming season, wants to get away from the New Homestead. Wolf makes the same complaint that Jesse Tannehill has raised, that of the strong breeze of the Hudson river, which sweeps over the American field. Jack Ingraham his pitching pal, Wolf is a strong favorite in Kansas City where he pitched before joining the Americans. He has written Dale Gear to see if he can not get his release from Manager Griffith so that he can return to Kansas City.

THE NEW ORLEANS RACES.

There Were Only Two Favorites That Failed to Make Good

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 5.—Dan McKeans and John Coulson were the beaten favorites today. Weather clear, track fast. Summaries:

First race, 6 furlongs—Inquisitive Girl, 105, Robling, 7 to 10, won; Tom O'Day, 95, Hyame, 60 to 1, second; Arthur, 95, Pierett, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:13 2-5.

Second race, 1¼ miles, selling—Stonewall, 106, Weber, 4 to 1, won; Ben Young, 96, Jenkins, 5 to 1, second; Blue Victor, 100, Mulholland, 60 to 1, third. Time, 2:06 2-5.

Third race, 7 furlongs—Exclamation, 97, H. Phillips, 4 to 1, won; Nonsense, 108, Rosenthal, 7 to 5, second; Ralph Young, 94, McIntyre, 100 to 1, third. Time, 1:28 2-5.

Fourth race, 1 mile, handicap—Hands Across, 103, Higgins, 15 to 5, won; Dan McKeans, 110, Jenkins, 2 to 1, second; Blue Victor, 105, W. Fisher, 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:41 1-5.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Sadducee, 116, McCafferty, 7 to 1, won; Tally H., 107, Higgins, 20 to 1, second; Cooper Kelly, 103, Aubechon, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:15 4-5.

Sixth race, 1 1-16 miles—Reckoner, 99, Livingston, 4 to 1, won; Klawasa, 98, McIntire, 20 to 1, second; John Doliver, 102, H. Phillips, 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:49.

Fowlers Showed Their Speed.

The Fowlers easily defeated Bellevue Juniors last night, 27 to 7, thereby demonstrating what they can do to a team their size. Bellevue has never in the game, the Fowlers leading from the start. Lineup and score:

Fowlers—26.		Bellevue Jrs.—7.
Watson	Left forward	Norris
E. Young	Right forward	Boles
Heinling	Center	Gunn
White	Left guard	Villa
A. Young	Right guard	Langtit

Field goals—Watson 4, E. Young 2, Heinling 2, A. Young 4, Boles, Gunn 2. Foul goals—E. Young. Referee—Norris, Richards. Scorer—Edwin Tuescher.

VICTORIAS LOSE TO THE BANKERS

The Champions Break Winning Streak of Sixsmith's Fast Crowd, Winning 3 to 1.

DECIDED IN SECOND HALF

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Victoria	4	1	.800
Bankers	3	2	.600
Keystone	1	3	.250
P. A. C.	1	3	.250

The champion Banker seven gave the hockey talent a jolt last night by beating the fast Victoria team, 3 to 1, in a championship game at Duquesne garden. It was the first defeat for Capt. Arthur Sixsmith's fast players, and the goals that brought about the victory for the bankers came in the second half, when Jack Roberts twice put the puck into the net.

The Vics were held in the betting at 2 to 1 before the game, but it was hard to figure out why they should be carded at such odds in view of the fact that the champions, too, have been playing good hockey. The betting, however, took a shift after the first half, when each side had scored a goal. The Bankers then were held at even money, with some takers.

The real hockey was played in the second half. In the first period the puck was rushed up and down the ice each team showing team work. This respect, however, the Bankers had slightly the best of it. Dr. Duvall, in this half, played a great game at point, stopping several rushes by the Bankers and getting the puck, after which he himself rushed it down the ice.

Bish, the defense man for the Vics, was at goal instead of Mackay, who is in a hospital with pneumonia. Bish stopped one shot which was delivered from the point in the opening session that brought forth applause.

Physicker made the first big run by bringing the puck down the field, getting past all the men in the forward line and those on the defense save Duvall. Duvall got it away from him and chased down the ice. The puck was again brought down by the Bankers, and Duvall again got it to the center of the rink, where Campbell received. He shielded it and passed to Campbell, who drove it into the cage for the first goal.

Roberts came near repeating the trick, but Duvall stopped him. G. Sixsmith got away from the crowd and took the rubber down and a scrimmage was soon in progress at the Bankers' cage. He managed to get out of the crowd and skate around the net, and at the right time he passed out to his brother, who rushed the puck in for the goal that tied the game.

Early in the closing period Roberts made two shots for the net, which went wide when

SOCIETY

Miss Abbott's Debut.

The very latest of the season's buds to make her formal bow to society is Miss Jeannette Abbott, who was introduced yesterday by her mother, Mrs. William Latham Abbott. Mrs. Abbott and second daughter, the debutante, and her elder daughter, Mrs. Walter Laning Worrall, received together. The hostess wore a handsome gown of gray chiffon and lace. Miss Abbott carrying white orchids, wore soft white crepe de chine and Mrs. Worrall was also in white. Among those who had been invited as special guests were Mrs. Abbott's friends, Mrs. Edmond Morewood Ferguson, Mrs. Henry J. Stewart, Mrs. Horace G. Bruce, Mrs. Charles B. McLean, Mrs. George Lauder, Mrs. Andrew Mellon, Mrs. James Hay Reed, Mrs. Leonard K. Thaw, Mrs. Alexander Blair, Miss Marguerite Wood, Miss Ruth Lindley Miller, Miss Gertrude Childs, Miss Lois Fleming Miller, Miss Beatrice Hawkins, Miss Louise Kay, Miss Eleanor DuPuy, Miss Amy DuPuy, Miss Elinor Reed, Miss Ada McCrea, Miss Marion McLean, Miss Martha Heron, Miss Mary Mellon, Miss Helen Ferguson, Miss Elizabeth Caldwell and Miss Mamie Clarke. Mrs. Abbott's home in Morewood avenue was tastefully decorated during the receiving hours from 4 until 6 o'clock. Miss Abbott, with Miss Martha Heron will share the honors of a luncheon which Mrs. Charles B. McLean will give tomorrow. Mrs. Worrall returns to her home in New York today. She will chaperone her youngest sister, Miss Ruth Abbott, to Briar Cliff, the new girls' school in the east.

Buffalo Bill's Daughter Engaged.

Informal announcement has been made by Mrs. William F. Cody, wife of "Buffalo Bill," that her eldest daughter, Mrs. Horton S. Boal, is to become the wife of Major J. C. Thorpe, United States army, retired. News of the engagement has just been received by friends of the bride-elect from North Platte, Neb., where Mrs. Boal, who is a widow, lives with her mother. Mrs. Boal has two children, Clara, 13 years old, and Cody, 11, who were left motherless when Mr. Boal ended his life at Sheridan, Wyo., a year ago last October. Mr. Boal, who was one of the best known and wealthiest ranch owners in the west, was found dead in bed at a hotel, with a chloroform saturated sponge tied over his nostrils. Mrs. Boal has lived in North Platte since her husband's death. Major Thorpe was formerly a Rough Rider. Thorpe, who was a surgeon in the army during the Philippine war. He came to North Platte from St. Paul, Minn. No date has been set for the wedding, in fact, the engagement has not yet been announced publicly. After his wedding Major Thorpe will take his wife to Spokane, Wash., where he will practice medicine.

A January Wedding.

The wedding of Miss Anna Cook Stewart and Frederick J. McMillen will take place on Tuesday evening, January 26, in Calvary Methodist Episcopal church, Allegheny. The Rev. James Thoburn, pastor of the church, will perform the ceremony at 8 o'clock. A large number of invitations will be issued for the wedding. There will be no reception following.

In the Diplomatic Circle.

The secretary of war and Mrs. Root entertained the president and Mrs. Roosevelt and the members of the cabinet circle at dinner last night. The company, the guests of honor for whom the dinner was given, were Mrs. Hay, wife of the secretary of state, who is still ill; the attorney general and Mrs. Knox, the postmaster general and Mrs. Payne, Mr. Moody, the secretary of the navy; Secretary and Mrs. Hitchcock, Secretary and Miss Wilson, Secretary and Mrs. Cortelyou, General Young and Miss Carew. This is the last cabinet dinner that Secretary and Mrs. Root will give to the president and Mrs. Roosevelt.

One of the pleasantest events of the afternoon was the tea given by Mrs. Schley, wife of Admiral Schley, complimentary to her daughter, Mrs. Stewart Wortley of New York. About 400 friends were entertained.

Baroness Von Sternberg, wife of the German ambassador, entertained at luncheon yesterday. There were 25 guests, all young ladies.

Mrs. D. Kirk Porter, wife of Representative Porter of Pittsburgh, and her daughter, Miss Hageman, held their first at home yesterday afternoon in the Cameron house on Lafayette square, which has been the mecca for many years occupied by the late Vice President Hobart, Senator and Mrs. Hanna and Mrs. Thaw, the mother of the countess of Yarmouth.

Silver Wedding Celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Berg of Boggs avenue gave a reception last evening in celebration of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Prior to her marriage on January 5, 1878, Mrs. Berg was Miss Elizabeth Wybert. Mr. Berg is a well-known business man of Mt. Washington. At the celebration last evening were a large number of the guests who were present at the wedding.

Mrs. McCutcheon's Informal At-Home.

Mrs. John Lindsay McCutcheon of Homewood avenue gave an informal at-home yesterday. Mrs. George P. Balmain poured tea in the dining room, and in addition to Mrs. Balmain, Mrs. McCutcheon, was assisted by Miss Janet Browne and her house guest, Miss Helen Case of New York, and by Miss Ethel Byram.

Mr. and Mrs. McCutcheon and their family took possession of their new home in Homewood avenue only last spring, and Mrs. McCutcheon recently issued at-home cards for Tuesdays in January, yesterday being the first. Miss Case has been with Miss Browne for a few days and expects to remain until the end of the week.

Events of the Early New Year.

Mrs. Emmett Queen of Sidwell street has invitations out for a breakfast at the Union club on Saturday, to be followed by a box party at the Nixon. The honors of the occasion will be shared by Miss Georgia Neale Heard, the debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Heard of Bayard street, and her house guest, Miss Margaret Crowder of New Orleans.

Mrs. Thomas D. Chantler will give a luncheon the latter part of the week for Miss Joseph Adams of South Bethlehem, who is her house guest. Mrs. Edward Allen Spencer will give a breakfast this morning, followed by a theater party at the Nixon for Mrs. Adams. Mrs. Chantler will again be hostess on Friday when she gives a dinner for Mr. Ambrose Smith, who is playing in "The Light That Failed" at the Alvin this week.

Had Two Honor Guests.

Mrs. Peter Schuster and Miss Martha Schuster of Collins avenue, East End, entertained at cards last evening in honor of Mrs. George W. Schuster, a bride of last autumn, who was Miss Stella Peet, and Miss Nellie Simmons of Syracuse, N. Y. Six hand euchre was played at eight tables and a number of prizes were awarded. An informal reception preceded the game. The two hostesses entertained for two honor guests receiving together. A large number of college girls and men were among the guests last evening.

Sleighing Party for the School Set.

Mrs. Thomas D. Chantler of Fifth avenue was hostess at a sleighing party last evening in honor of her daughter, Miss Mary Cooper Chantler, one of Miss Gleim's pupils, and her son, David Everett Chantler, a St. Paul's school boy. About 30 young girls and boys were in attendance, the majority of them being the members of Miss Chapman's Friday evening dancing class, which meets in Conservatory hall, Dithridge street. A short route through the East End was taken by the boys and girls after which they returned to Mrs. Chantler's home for an old-fashioned chicken and waffle supper. An informal dance followed the supper.

Miller—Prentice.

A wedding occurred last evening at Glen Osborne, Pa., when William J. Prentice, president of the Consolidated Coal and Coke company, and Mrs. Sara B. Miller, were united. The officiating minister was Dr. J. M. Thoburn, jr., of the Calvary Methodist Episcopal church, Allegheny. The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock and was witnessed by a few of the near relatives of the contracting parties. Mr. and Mrs. Prentice left this morning for an extended trip in the south.

Pittsburgh Preacher to Wed.

The engagement was announced yesterday of Miss Mildred Mingins of Madison, N. J., to the Rev. Paul Weyland of Pittsburgh. The date for the wedding has not been set. Miss Mingins is well known in social circles in Madison and is an accomplished musician.

Prof. Hamerschlag at the Kenmawr.

Arthur Hamerschlag has established himself in apartments at the Kenmawr in Shady avenue, where he will make his home for several months at least. Mrs. Hamerschlag has not arrived in Pittsburgh, but expects to come about the first of February.

AMONG THE CLUBS

First Public Appearance in Pittsburgh.

The joint committee of Women's clubs has secured an exceptionally fine list of speakers for the public meeting which will be held tomorrow evening in the Pittsburgh Conservatory of Music in Dithridge street. Arthur Hamerschlag, director of the Carnegie school of technology, will be the principal speaker. This will be his first appearance before the people of Pittsburgh and he has consented to speak on "The Industrial Value of Art and Taste for Children." Mr. Hamerschlag has had a varied work in New York and is exceptionally well qualified to speak on this subject, which is the fundamental principal of the summer playgrounds and the night schools as conducted in Pittsburgh and Allegheny under the direction of the joint committee of Women's clubs.

Dr. J. Leonard Levy will speak on "Industrial Work in Comparison With Child Labor," and the Rev. Dr. E. R. Donelson will speak on another phase of the playground work. Mrs. Beulah Kennard, the vice chairman of the joint committee, will preside over the meeting and will make a short opening address, giving in a few words the general outline of the work as it has been conducted here during the past few years. Mrs. J. J. Coulter will speak of her own experiences in the playground and vacation school in Lawrenceville at the Fortieth street schools. Mrs. Samuel Miller has been asked to speak particularly of the Recreation park on the South Side. Mrs. John Cowley of the work accomplished in the Allegheny playgrounds. Miss Elma D. Adams of the Kingsley house will speak of the settlement work in the Allegheny playgrounds. Dr. Samuel A. Ammon, of the financial aspect of this philanthropic and educational work. After the addresses an open discussion will be held. A short informal reception will precede the addresses and at the conclusion of the program refreshments will be served. The members of the joint committee invites all those who are in any way interested in the work of the summer playgrounds and the night schools to attend this meeting and especially inviting the school directors in the different wards of the two cities, and all those who are interested in education. A reception committee has been appointed consisting of Mrs. Samuel Miller, Mrs. John Cowley, Mrs. John Coleberry, Mrs. Andrew Caston, Mrs. Robert Pitcairn, Mrs. Alfred Montgomery, Mrs. Mattie Paterson, Mrs. Rufus Martin, Mrs. William J. Askins, Mrs. J. J. Covert, Mrs. Annie Smith, Mrs. Robert O. Conrad, Mrs. William Herriman, Miss Mary E. Stevenson, Miss Julia Schoenfeld, Miss May Weidman, Mrs. Charles R. Wray, Mrs. James Dick and Miss Henry Barton.

Anti-Smoot Resolution.

The Ben Avon Woman's club met yesterday for the first time since the holidays, at the house of Mrs. W. Bender, Brighton avenue. Mrs. A. C. Knox read a paper on "Emigration," and Mrs. T. J. Evans gave an interesting account of the mountaineers of Kentucky. A resolution was passed protesting against the seating of Reed Smoot in the senate. The club will meet next Tuesday at the home of Mrs. O. M. Sanford, Avalon, when Mrs. Alice Montgomery, probation officer of the juvenile court, will give an account of her work.

Discused Settlement Work.

Mrs. Levi, who was formerly Miss Evert and is remembered as the first resident of Kingsley house, was present at the meeting of the Woman's club yesterday afternoon in the assembly room of the Central Young Women's Christian association, and made an interesting address on "Settlement Work." Mrs. Levi told of the aim and purposes of settlement work in the large cities, reaching the poor people in their homes and bringing social and educational advantages within their radius by association through the settlement with people of education and culture. Her own experiences when Kingsley house was in its infancy and was located in Penn avenue, near seventeenth street, she gave in a most interesting manner, telling of the first clubs and clubs organized there and the social phase of Kingsley house through its meeting for the mothers and the visits of the residents in the homes of the neighborhood and the exchange of visits, the dancing classes and other organizations for the women and girls and the clubs for the men and the boys. Mrs. C. L. Wade was the leader for the day and conducted the educational discussion in the absence of Mrs. Levi's talk. The meeting was not so largely attended as usual because of the illness in the families of many of the members of the club.

Study American Humorists.

The Knoxville Woman's club met last evening at the home of Mrs. Shaw. It was the last meeting in the fourth year of the club's existence. At the next meeting, which will be the anniversary of the organization of the club, the members will vote on their application for admission to the state federation of women's clubs.

Last evening the program consisted of papers presented on the life and writings of "American Humorists." Miss Fisher discussed Artemus Ward, Miss Duvall, John Billings, and Miss Whitlock read James Whitcomb Riley's "Old Sweetheart of Mine." The music was contributed by Miss Sadler.

The club elected Mrs. Milo Miller and Mrs. George Wetzel, who represented it in the playground work last summer, to be its delegates at the meeting of the joint committee tomorrow evening in the Pittsburgh conservatory of music.

Meeting of Tuesday Musical Club.

The Tuesday Musical club held an interesting meeting yesterday afternoon in the hall room of the Hotel Schenley. The program was divided into three sections, the first consisting of three numbers presented by the Van der Heim quartet, composed of Lotte Van der Heim, first violin; Walter Cotton, second violin; Alfred Oletzen, viola, and Henri Van Praag, cello, all members of the Pittsburgh orchestra. The second portion of the program included a group of songs by Miss Genevieve Wheat, and the last consisted of the Schumann quintet in E flat major, rendered by the Van der Heim quartet, assisted by Mrs. Lawrence Litchfield, who played the piano part.

Women's Gatherings.

Pittsburgh Scrolls will meet this afternoon at the Hotel Schenley.

The Colonial club met yesterday afternoon in the parlor of the Hotel Henry.

The Lawrenceville New Century club met yesterday afternoon and conducted an interesting program on "English Men of Letters."

The executive board of the Western Pennsylvania branch of the Consumers' league will meet this morning in the Twentieth Century club house.

The managers of the Association for the Improvement of the Poor have adopted resolutions on the death of Mrs. William A. Herron, who was president of the association for 28 years.

Miss Marie Shedlock will lecture this morning at 11 o'clock in the assembly room of the Twentieth Century club on "The Fun and Philosophy of Hans Andersen's Fairy Tales."

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MORE THEATERS WERE INSPECTED

Mayor and His Party Visit Additional Play Houses to Learn If They Are Safe.

BIJOU IN GOOD CONDITION

The municipal theater inspection party visited two more theaters yesterday, the Duquesne and the Bijou. The party was composed of Mayor Hays, Director Moore of the department of public safety; Fire Chiefs Humphreys and Hannigan and Building Inspector Dies. When formally "Kid" after the inspection, what he had to say about the facilities of the two theaters for avoiding panics and fires, Director Moore refused to be quoted, on the ground that it would be proper to let the managers of the theaters know first what he thought, but from the comments made it was evident that the party thought the Bijou was much better equipped than the Duquesne.

Mayor Hays favors the plan of having a committee of architects inspect every theater in the city, after the mayor and his party have completed their views, and offer expert recommendations that shall make every theater safe for its patrons.

The very first objection made at the Duquesne was to the main entrance leading from Penn avenue. Two doors, separated by a wall covered with an advertisement, lead from the street into the lobby, and the suggestion was promptly made that the wall between the two entrances be removed and an additional entrance provided. Objections were made to the narrowness of the aisles. Objection was also made to the arrangement of the stairways leading to the bleony because of the fact that those of the audience coming down from the balcony collide with those retiring from the lower portion of the house, making a rush or panic probable in case of trouble. The management was given the suggestion that this defect be remedied in some manner. The locations of the ticket offices and of the manager's office were objected to and it was suggested that they be moved in order that the exits may be enlarged.

The Duquesne has an asbestos curtain which was hung on Tuesday, but it was found to be suspended from a wooden beam instead of being fastened to the proscenium arch. As fire could consume the girder and cause the curtain to fall, it will have to be hung differently. The fire chiefs criticized the standpipe on the stage as being too small and said the many holes and valves in the stage floor would permit fire in the basement to find its way to the stage. Certain portions of the gallery and badcony were found to be too low—that is, there is not what is regarded as sufficient space between the hearing and the ceiling.

The condition of the cellar was condemned by the party. Lumber and shapes of all kinds, parts of scenery and pieces of muslin were lying about, some of it so close to the steam pipes that the danger was apparent. Chief Hannigan disbited gas jets in the dressing rooms under the parquet and found there were no tips on them and that the ceiling of these dressing rooms were blackened by the gas flames from the jets. Fire buckets entered about but there was no water in them. No chemical extinguisher could be found in the cellar. Chief Humphreys learned that no firemen were employed in the theater during performances.

"Well," remarked Humphreys, "there'll be one here tonight, and every night afterwards."

The Bijou was found to be in good condition. A plumber's blowpipe flame was held against the asbestos curtain five minutes and had no effect upon it. There is a skylight over the stage. Iron doors to the boxes protect the occupants against fire on the stage. The word "Exit" is painted over all the doors, which open outwardly and are fastened with a simple bolt that anybody can operate.

Mayor Hays intends to have all public halls in which audiences gather, inspected by the bureau of building inspection to ascertain if they are equipped to avoid as much as possible danger from fire and panic.

WOULD BUILD A FENCE TO KEEP OUT CHINESE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Representative Dixon of Montana introduced a resolution today providing for a wire fence along the Canadian boundary line between the Lake of the Woods and Point Roberts, the object is to keep out Chinese immigrants and the fence is to be so equipped as to give signals when any one climbs over it. The secretary of commerce and labor is directed to report on the feasibility of the projected fence.

Two Notable Engagements.

The repertoire Sir Henry Irving has arranged for his engagement at the Alvin theater next week is "Waterloo" and "The Bells," Monday and Thursday evenings; "Louis XI," Tuesday and Saturday evenings; "The Merchant of Venice," Wednesday and Friday evenings and at the Saturday matinee.

Jolly "Peggy From Paris," George Ade's latest musical comedy hit, will be at the Nixon theater next Monday night, opening a week's engagement there. There have been many demands for seats, although the sale does not begin till tomorrow. Henry W. Savage's company, which will present the play in this city, is the one which recently ended a long run at Wallack's theater, New York.

TO RENEW BATTLE.

All Chicago Drivers to Be Called Out to Aid Cabmen in the Fight.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 5.—"Within 10 days there will not be a cab wheel turning in the whole city of Chicago unless the Liverymen's association agrees with the demands of the drivers," said C. P. Shea, president of the International Union of Teamsters, today. "With the expiration of the 10 days' truce we are going after the Liverymen's association, and in this fight there will be no compromise.

"The $2 a day scale must be accepted. Unless our demands are met there will not be a wheel turning. Any vehicle driven in Chicago by a member of the International Union of Teamsters or by any member of any of this organization's affiliations. We mean to fight it out."

INTERESTING BOTANICAL MEETING IS PROMISED

The Botonical society of Western Pennsylvania will meet in the small lecture hall at the Carnegie Institute tomorrow evening, to consider and discuss "The Flowers, Fruits and Plants of the Bible." Dr. J. F. Shearer will tell about "The Flowers of the Bible as I Have Seen Them In Palestine." Dr. G. M. Phillips will tell about "The Trees and Fruits of the Bible As I Have Noted Them In the Holy Land." W. C. Beckert will tell of "The Grains, Herbs and Vegetables of Scripture As They Seen Their Kind in Palestine." The Rev. Dr. Thomas Cartland Whitehead, bishop of the Pittsburgh Protestant Episcopal diocese, will tell of "The Aptness and Beauty of Flowers, Fruits, Trees and Other Plants in the Bible," and the Rev. Dr. D. C. Martin of the Bellefield Presbyterian church on "The Significance of the Flowers, Fruits and Plants in the Bible."

RECOGNITION REFUSED.

Master Painters Reject Offer Made by Their Employes.

The Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paper hangers yesterday offered to withdraw from the Building Trades council if their employers would recognize the union. This was refused. The Master Painters yesterday applied to court for a charter.

The Lathers' union withdrew from the Building Trades council yesterday and the men are ready to return to work.

Several non-union plumbers reached Pittsburgh yesterday and will go to work today.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

Joseph W. Barnett	Charleroi
Coline Hommel	Braddock
Nils Olson	Bruce
Alma Anderson	Bruce
Fred A. Thompson	Monongahela
Margaret E Smith	Wampum
Samuel T. Hendel	Lafayette, Ind.
Nettie G. Lowenstein	Pittsburgh
Charles Ross	Dravo
Mary Dushous	Dravo
George L. Murphy	Boston, Mass.
Adelaide B. Layton	Allegheny
Joseph Haney	Duquesne
Catherine Gildray	Pittsburgh
Charles Butler	Pittsburgh
Phoebe Jackson	Pittsburgh
Michael Ferla	Sharpsburg
Bertha Dunbar	Sharpsburg
Henry Roberts	Pittsburgh
Lida Lenhart	Johnstown
James W. Peyton	Pittsburgh
Susan Gaytons	Pittsburgh
Harry Baumann	Allegheny
Katie E. Cochrane	Allegheny
Henry H. Baltz	Sewickley
Sophia H. Mers	Sewickley
Azalia Short	New England, Pa
Ada J. Jwynn	Sheraden
William Hepp	Pittsburgh
Mabel Cripps	Allegheny
Edward Jones	Pittsburgh
Mary Lewis	Pittsburgh
Frank Eichelman	Allegheny
Barbara Rostler	Allegheny

W. H. BRUNT'S STORY.

Claims City Deposit Bank Secured a $40,000 for Less Than One Thousand.

In the suit of the City Deposit bank against W. Hamilton Brunt and William A. Zahn, an action brought to recover $15,500 alleged to be due on a bond given on which a credit for $125 is allowed for a cash payment, an answer has been filed by W. Hamilton Brunt, one of the defendants.

The answer avers that the defendants deposited with the bank a mortgage of John W. Kleker to W. Hamilton Brunt securing the payment of $15,000. The mortgage was on real estate in Baldwin township, valued at $40,000. The answer continues that the bank, after the maturity of the collateral note of the defendants, undertook to collect the amount due on it by proceeding on the mortgage.

The plaintiff issued a foreclosure and the property was exposed to sale by the sheriff. The defendants attended the sale and bid as high as $14,000, but the plaintiff bank, also being a bidder, the answer avers, refused to allow the property to be knocked down to the defendants and directed the sheriff to adjourn the sale until the following day, October 10, 1903. On that day, the answer avers, the property was purchased by the bank on a bid of $978.62.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

William Bonzar was sentenced to two years in the workhouse on three charges of stealing clothes and money, to all of which he pleaded guilty.

Judge Frazer decided that the law favors Benjamin Lininger, who was awarded $4,628 by a jury for injuries received in the Westinghouse Airbrake plant.

Sheriff James W. Dickson's bond of $60,000, given by the Title Guaranty and Trust Company of Scranton, Pa., has been approved by court of common pleas No. 2.

George B. Miller, charged with the larceny of six diamonds valued at $700, from Mary Sheppard, at Fifth and Oakland avenues, was convicted of receiving stolen goods.

J. A. Broslus was convicted of cheating Herman Van Dyke out of $3 by offering to secure him a position, then sending him to see a mythical man in a house in Second avenue.

In the divorce suit of Charles L. Erickson against Alma G. Erickson, the wife denies the charges of infidelity and says they were made to avoid weekly payments for her support.

John Healy, archbishop of the see of Tuam, Ireland, residuary legatee under the will of the Hon. O. I. Gallagher, answers the petition of Ella McKenna, who was left a legacy of $50 a month, asserting that the inheritance tax is chargeable to the legacy.

R. A. Foster has sued the city of Pittsburgh for $252, alleged to be due for stenographic service during the councilmanic inquiry into the department of public safety in 1902. The investigation followed reports to the effect that officials were collecting money from the police bureau for political purposes.

Judge Buffington refused new trials in the case of the New Black estate against the Travelers Insurance Company; W. J. Alford against W. H. Bronner on a stock transaction, and Gertie Wild against the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, a false arrest case in which the plaintiff recovered several thousand dollars, and in which she was represented by Attorneys S. S. Robertson, H. H. Negley and W. G. Negley.

The following executions were issued yesterday: William Andrews vs. Samuel Andrews et al., $1,069; Carolina B. McKaig, executrix, vs. Clifford C. Herr, $5,468 50; Harriet R. Anderson vs. George W. Reigler, $2,248 70; J. Nassir vs. Abraham Soler et al., $2,712; James H. McQuaide, use, vs. the borough of Spring Garden, $11,034 18; the General Chemical Company vs. the Eagle Foundry and Machine Company, $515 50; Pen Oikovics vs. Anton Ruzic, $110 45.

When criminal court adjourned the jury in the case of Charles Lutz, charged with malicious mischief and pointing firearms, was still out. William Rosser, the prosecutor, alleged that Lutz shot his valuable hunting dog and then pointed the gun at him. Lutz has a farm in Mifflin township and alleges that Rosser was on his farm with the dog and refused to leave. Lutz then shot the dog, but claims he did not point the gun at Rosser.

Safety Gates at Braddock Crossings.

Safety gates are to be placed at all Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad crossings in Braddock within the next week. The company agreed to erect and maintain the gates in consideration of a number of concessions granted by the borough council.

FORMER ARMY OFFICER CHARGED WITH BIGAMY

Daughter of an Iowa Senator Figures as the Prosecutor in the Case.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., Jan. 5.—Samuel Chase Hazzard, alias Samuel Hargrave, a former officer in the United States army, has been arrested in this city for alleged bigamy. Coupled with the name of Hazzard is that of Dr. Linda Burfield and Viva Hazzard, a daughter of Senator Fitchpatrick of Iowa.

The complainant in the case is Viva Hazzard who says she is wife No. 2. Hazzard does not deny living with Viva Fitchpatrick Hazzard in this city, but claims that Dr. Burfield is his only wife, according to law.

Hazzard says 10 years ago he had a wife in New York, but he was legally divorced from her. He is a graduate of West Point and served four years as instructor in the army. Hazzard went all over the country as inspector and also went to Europe to inspect the armies of foreign countries.

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WATCHMAN FOUGHT THIEVES

Four Men Chased at Ambridge After Blowing Open Post-office Safe.

Four robbers broke into the postoffice at Ambridge between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday morning and Charles Malone, a night watchman, says he had a running revolver fight with them and wounded one, although all four got away. The robbers blew open the safe and got about $300.

Malone was sitting in the Ambridge bank reading when he heard a terrific crash. He ran to the door and saw two men standing across the street, one man holding two revolvers, the other a lighted lantern and a revolver. Malone says he shouted to the men, and they replied with a shot. He fired his own revolver and the men returned the fire, one bullet going through Malone's hat.

The men then ran and Malone says he gave chase. As he turned the corner a third man was getting out of the postoffice window. He fired at him, he says the fellow fell from the window with a groan, but picked himself up and ran. Malone pursued, but as he passed the postoffice a bullet whizzed by his head, and turning, he saw a fourth man coming out of the postoffice door carrying a revolver. Malone dodged into a doorway and the man passed him running, shooting as he went.

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GLASS factory manager for out-of-town factory, who thoroughly understands the making of crystal and colored ware; all answers confidential. Address T. 3, The Gazette.

LABORERS for round-house work, $1.65 per day; coal shutes, stationed wipers, assistant blacksmith, rough carpenters. 1621 Penn ave.

MAN for marking boxes, packages in shipping department of large manufacturing concern. Address P. 97, The Gazette.

MEN—At once, 50 coal miners, 25 laborers, $1.75 day; 10 rough carpenters. 906 River ave., Allegheny.

MEAT CUTTER—Two first-class meat cutters at once. McKeesport Provision Co.

SALESMAN—A first-class salesman in clothing and furnishing store at East Liverpool, O., good wages and permanent position to the right man. References required. Address Box 345, East Liverpool, O.

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SHOW CARD PAINTER—Apply Surprise Store, 503 Penn ave.

YOUNG MEN—To learn telegraphy. Day or evening, and accept salaried position paying from $45 to $125 per month. Pennsylvania Telegraph School, Lewis Block.

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GIRL for general housework. 234 Wilkinsburg ave.

HOUSEWORK girl, small family; wages $5. Mrs. Kennington, 18 Ninth st., Pittsburgh.

LADIES wanted everywhere, copying letters at home, evenings or spare time and return to us. No mailing or canvassing. $9 weekly earned. Material furnished. Enclose self-addressed envelope for particulars. Guarantee Co., 240 W 152, Ninth st., Philadelphia, Pa.

NURSE—A competent children's nurse; must be experienced, in good health and speak correct English. Apply by letter, giving references and wages desired, to L. A. Osborne, 931, Pittsburgh.

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WOMEN—Five bright young women, who are capable of interviewing people, good salary. Apply at The Pittsburgh Gazette classified adv. department.

WOMEN to sew at home, $5 per week. Materials sent everywhere; steady work, plain sewing only. Send addressed envelope for full particulars. Address W. F. Y., Dalfont, Philadelphia, Pa.

WOMEN—Who can do Battenberg embroidery or crocheting at home in spare time to write us; call 906 Diamond st., Allegheny.

WOMEN CANVASSERS to work in city; $3 day; quick-selling article. Call room 11, Jenkins Bldg., Sixth st.

YOUNG LADIES—To learn telegraphy for positions. Apply Pennsylvania Telegraph College, Lewis block.

Situations—Male.

JAPANESE faithful valet; also thoroughly experienced boiler just from New York, wishes situation; highest New York references. Address Box 345, East Liverpool, O.

YOUNG MAN will pay $15 for information leading to an inside position. Address The Gazette.

COACHMAN wants position; can furnish first-class references. Address X 78, The Gazette.

POSITION as assistant shipper or wareh man. Address K 5, The Gazette.

Real Estate.

WANTED—Can anybody find a house for me with three rooms on first floor, four rooms on second floor with bath, three rooms on third floor, and with large lot of ground, with windows enough toward the south to make a good study? Vicinity of Schenley park preferred; new house much preferable; might wait for it to be completed; or old one to be improved. Communicate with pastor of Second Presbyterian church, Pittsburgh.

WANTED—To buy for $12,000, reception hall house in Nineteenth or Twentieth wards; all modern and complete; write full description. Address P. O. box 1657.

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WEST LIBERTY BOROUGH—Two or three rooms for gentlemen or couple without children; Silk Mills.

WYLIE AVE., 1017—Furnished rooms for housekeeping; also rooms for men; $1 50 week.

WYLIE AVE., 608, third floor—Furnished room for two gentlemen; all conveniences.

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ALPHA TERRACE, 24—Nicely furnished room; private family; 1 Highland cars to Hays street.

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W. JEFFERSON ST., 20—Two furnished rooms; bath; both gases; hot water; $16 month.

WEST OHIO ST., 712—Furnished room for light housekeeping; conveniences; gentlemen preferred.

FEDERAL ST., 1204—Furnished room; conveniences; to Perrysville car.

FEDERAL ST., 1316—Neatly furnished room; bath, both gases; gentlemen only.

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FOR RENT—Two second-floor rooms, furnished for light housekeeping; both gases; eight minutes to Ninth and Liberty; two car lines; just papered and painted; $18 month. 212 Grant ave., Allegheny.

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NORTH DIAMOND 111, West—Nicely furnished rooms for housekeeping.

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PALO ALTO, 1205—Two furnished rooms for housekeeping; conveniences, 5 minutes Fort Wayne depot.

PALO ALTO, 1215—Desirable furnished rooms with board; all conveniences.

POPLAR ST., 1215—Large furnished room; suitable for gentlemen; bath; both gases.

RESACA ST., 1225—Nicely furnished rooms with board; all conveniences; $5.50 week.

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RIDGE AVE., 605—Furnished room with board; meal ticket $3.75; all conveniences.

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FOR RENT.

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ELECTION NOTICES.

Office of the Pittsburgh Sick & Accident Union, 1420 Park Building. Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 5, 1904.

ELECTION—Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the members of the Pittsburgh Sick and Accident Union will be held at their office, Nos. 1418-19-20, Park building, corner Fifth ave. and Smithfield st., on Tuesday, February 2, between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock, for the purpose of election of officers for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be brought before the meeting. GALEN GROFF, Secretary.

Office of the Federal National Bank. NOTICE is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Federal National Bank of Pittsburgh will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m., at the banking building, corner Fifth avenue and Smithfield street, Pittsburgh, Pa., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, voting on the reduction of the capital stock from $2,000,000 to $1,000,000 and for such other business as may come before the meeting. H. M. LANDIS, Cashier.

Office of The Monongahela River Consolidated Coal & Coke Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 5, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Monongahela River Consolidated Coal & Coke Company will be held at the company's office on Wood st., on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. to 12 o'clock noon, to elect nine directors to serve during the ensuing year, and to transact such other business as may be presented. W. J. WOOD, Secretary.

German Trust Co., of Pittsburgh, Jan. 4, 1904.

ELECTION—NOTICE: The annual election for directors of this company, five to serve for one year, and Wm. Metz for two years, will be held at its offices, 310 Fourth ave., on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m. and 2 to 3 o'clock p. m. M. HILLER, Secretary and Treasurer.

Metropolitan National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1903.

The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m. GEO. SEEBICK Cashier.

Fort Pitt National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 11, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m. CHAS. S. LINDSAY, Cashier.

First National Bank of Verona, Verona, Pa., Dec. 14, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual election for seven directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 8 and 4 p. m. W. E. BAGSHAW, Cashier.

The National Bank of Western Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 14, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual election of directors of this bank, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Penn ave. and Ninth st., on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m. GEORGE S. MACRUM, Cashier.

First National Bank, Scalesley, Pa., Dec. 17, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner of Beaver and Broad sts., on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 7 and 7:30 p. m. E. P. Coffin, teashier.

The German National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 11, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual election for 12 directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 o'clock p. m. W. W. RAMSEY, Cashier.

German National Bank, Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 11, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 100 Sandusky street, on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 o'clock p. m. ALBERT HELM, Cashier.

Allegheny National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 11, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 200 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock a. m. W. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.

Workingmans Savings Bank & Trust Co., Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 12, 1903.

The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Ohio street and Madison avenue, on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 2 and 3 p. m. H. C. WETTENGEL, Cashier.

Third National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 11, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 324 Wood street, on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m. GODEK RUSHELL, Cashier.

The First National Bank of Allegheny, Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 11, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, 424 Federal street, on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 noon. T. J. McNARRY, Acting Cashier.

Monongahela National Bank, Sixth avenue and Wood street, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 11, 1903.

The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner of Wood street and Sixth avenue, on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 p. m. H. W. BICKEL, Cashier.

The Peoples National Bank of Pittsburgh, United States Depository, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1903.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders for the election of directors will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 12:30 p. m. W. DWIGHT BELL, Assistant Cashier and Secretary.

Duquesne National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 11, 1903.

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STEEL PREFERRED DIVIDEND MAINTAINED AT OLD RATE

That on the Common Suspended Entirely—Profits for the Quarter Fell Below $15,000,000—Stock Markets Dull and Irregular.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

The eastern stock market yesterday turned largely upon the action of the United States Steel directors on the dividends and the report of earnings for the past quarter. The figures were not given out nor the action announced until after the market had closed. The quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent on the preferred stock was declared as usual, while the dividend on the common was passed entirely. It cannot be said that this action was a surprise. Few persons were gifted with the optimism to look for a continuation of the reduced rate on the common stock and few were so impregnated with pessimism as to look for any change in the preferred dividend. Nevertheless there were rather rapid fluctuations in both stocks within a narrow range. The common opened lower at 11⅝, and then broke to 11, closing near the lowest. The preferred also opened lower at 55½, rallied sharply to 57½, broke to 56, recovered to 56⅝, and closed at 56¾, or a small fraction above the opening.

The earnings for the quarter, $14,845,000 were surprisingly close to the estimates that have been made for several weeks past. It is needless to say that these earnings are the smallest ever reported for the corporation, comparing with the $22,302,821 for the corresponding quarter last year. The smallest previous quarter was the first in 1903, when the total was $25,908,501, and the question naturally arises, Will the earnings for the first quarter of 1904 Will they be smaller or larger than for the quarter just closed? Or course the bears incline to the view that they will be smaller, and guesses on this subject will play a large part in the fluctuations of the stock for the ensuing few weeks at least.

The feeling that it will be a long time before dividends are resumed on the common seems just as strong as it was that the dividend would be passed yesterday, but there is no decided conviction as to the course of the market for the common stock in the near future. There is, of course, a disposition to compare its status with other nondividend paying industrial common stocks, and here in Pittsburgh the comment was made that United States Steel common is not worth double the market value of Pittsburgh common for instance. The argument that it is worth its present market value for voting purposes, because an investment of $50,000,000 could absolutely control a corporation of $1,000,000,000 total and bonds if not met by the fact that any interest which desires control could maintain the same by owning a comparatively small proportion of the dividend-paying preferred, it being the history of corporations that the bulk of shareholders' votes are cast by proxy and that it is an easy matter for the party in power to obtain proxies. While all this is true, it is within the possibilities that the market may become so crowded that the largest one of the non-interest could be employed over such a stock with more than 5,000,000 shares outstanding. The short interest at the present time in both classes of stock is believed to be very large and this short interest may prove a sustaining factor. Even if there should be no prospect of improvement in earnings during the current quarter the sinking fund bonds held comparatively steady all day, opening at 97¾, advancing to 70¾ and closing at 70⅝.

The movements in the rest of the market were confined to a few specialties, and prices were irregular. Chicago & Alton common and preferred were very active and strong, the former selling 1¼ per cent and the latter 5 per cent, on buying that was traced to a banking house which it is thought is negotiating a deal in the stock which may lead to a change in the directorate. The coal stocks were strong during the early part of the day, the basis being the extremely cold weather which was unusually widespread and therefore meant a general increase in consumption. The rest of the railroad list was steady to firm. An exception was Rock Island, which was quite weak, declining to 22¾ near the close of the session. The fear overhanging the stock is that at the earliest favorable moment a plan for issuing a large blanket mortgage will be carried out. Brooklyn Rapid Transit was also a weak spot in the middle part of the day, declining from 59⅜ to 48¾, but recovering most of the loss at the close. Amalgamated Copper was strong, advancing to 51⅜ on the strength of the metal abroad and the advance in domestic prices. London was a seller in the early dealings, although war news was less threatening.

Call money rates did not get above 4½ per cent and steadily declined to 1½ per cent, the lowest that has been quoted for months. Sterling exchange remained at the importing point, and $1,000,000 gold was engaged in London for shipment hither.

There was a slight increase in trading on the Pittsburgh stock exchange, principally in Crucible Steel preferred. The stock broke to 28¾, recovered to 30 and closed at 30 bid. The common stock was inactive, declining to 4⅞ and closing at 4½ bid. Westinghouse Electric was firmer, opening at 82, declining to 83⅝, and recovering to 83½. River Coal preferred sold at 27 cash, which will carry the dividend of 3½ per cent declared yesterday. Pittsburgh Coal was firmer, closing at 58¾ bid. National Fire Proofing preferred also recovered a fraction, selling at 22¾. Consolidated Gas bonds sold at 108, a decline of 1 per cent, and Pittsburgh, McKeesport & Connellsville 5s were ¾ lower at 92. The market closed dull but steady.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday foot up 2,880 shares stock and $14,000 bonds, as follows:

10 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.

10	Crucible	4¼	
100	do	4⅛	
10	do	4⅛	$2000 do

5	B. Coal pfd.	29	
5000	Brewing 8s	110½	
		110⅜	

10:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

$2000	Con. Gas 5s	108	
15	Electric 2ds	83	
50	do	83	
10	do	83½	
25	M. L. & H.	30½	
1	do	30½	
50	W. Airbrake	137	
40	Brewing	24½	

2 P. M. to 3 P. M.

90	Electric 2ds	84	
10	do	84	
10	do	84	
50	do	84	
10	do	84	
15	Brew. pfd.	44½	
50	do	44½	
20	W. Airbrake	136	
22	do	140	
8	do	140	
50	Crucible pfd	29½	
10	do	29½	
50	do	29½	

50	Crucible pfd.	29¾	
50	do	29¾	
4	do	29¾	
15	Crucible	4¼	
10	U. S. S. pfd.	56	
25	do	56¾	
70	Fire P. pfd.	23¾	
200	U. S. Steel	11⅛	
$2000	P., McK. & Y. Conn. 5s		92
$1000	do		92
$1000	do		92

*Cash.

Summary.

Shares.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.	C'ge.
110 Brewing	*25	24½	*25	+½
65 Do preferred.	44½	44½	44½	+1½

Sales.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.	Chge.
50 Citizens' Trac.	84	84	84	0
50 Cons. Ice pfd.	33	33	33	—1¾
45 Cruc. Steel	4⅝	4½	4½	—⅛
375 Do preferred	30	28¾	29½	—1
145 Fireproofing pf.	22¾	22¾	22¾	+¼
35 Mfrs. L. & H.	*30½	30¼	*30½	+¼
110 Pgh. Coal pfd.	*59	58½	*59	+¼
170 River Coal pfd.	*29	*27	27	—1½
40 U. S. Steel	11⅛	11⅛	11⅛	—⅛
85 Do preferred	57	56¾	56⅞	+⅛
100 West. Airbrake	140	137	140	+2
761 West. Elec. 2s	84	82¾	83¾	+1¼
BONDS.				
$7,000 Brewing 6s	110½	110⅜	110⅝	0
2,000 Cons. Gas 5s	108	108	108	—1
5,000 P.McK.&C. 5s	92	92	92	—⅛
$14,000				

*Less than 10 shares. †Cash.

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.	Par	Bid.	Ask.
Allemannia Insurance	50	61	75
National Insurance	50	160	....
Mfrs Light & Heat	50	30¾	31½
Ohio Fuel Supply	25	37	....
Peoples Passenger	25	....	20
Pleasant Valley Traction	25	26	....
Westinghouse Elec. 2d pfd.	50	83½	83¾
Consolidated Ice pfd.	50	....	33½
Cent. Dist. & Print. Tel. Co.	100	115	....
Crucible Steel	100	4¼	4½
Do preferred	100	30	30½
Monongahela River Coal	50	....	9
*Do preferred	50	26½	27½
Monongahela Incline	50	62	75
Marsden	100	3	4
National Fire Proofing	50	6⅝	7¼
Do preferred	50	22¾	....
Philadelphia Company	50	40½	....
Pgh. B. & L. E. R. R.	50	20	....
Pittsburgh Brewing pfd.	50	44	44½
Pittsburgh Coal	100	16½	....
Do preferred	100	58¾	59
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	100	106	....
Pittsburgh Stove & Range	50	....	3½
United States Steel	100	....	11⅛
Do preferred	100	57	....
Westinghouse Airbrake	50	139	139½
*Monon Water	25	....	30
BONDS.			
B. K. & A. Traction 6s	....	118½	....
Monongahela River Coal 6s	....	111	111½
Philadelphia Co. 5s	....	92	92½
Pittsburgh Brewing 6s	....	110½	111
*Pgh. June, 1st mtg. 5s	....	116	....
*Pgh. June, 2d mtg. 5s	....	100	....

*Ex-div. or ex-int.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

The break in Crucible Steel preferred at the opening was partly due to an erroneous impression that this company was involved in the receivership of the Clairton Steel Company. At one time a rumor was current that the Crucible company was included in the receivership, whereas the object of the latter was to protect the Crucible or any other interest that might contribute funds for taking care of the floating indebtedness of Clairton. It was reported in financial circles that a number of Crucible bonds are carried in Clairton and offered to renew the paper falling due, but that such agreement had not been obtained from all, and that the receivership was applied for in order to protect any one interest from pressing a settlement at this time. Crucible preferred recovered at the close of the day to 30 bid.

The feeling in Fourth avenue has turned bearish on United States Steel stocks, despite the resumptions which are daily reported to be taking place in the various plants of the company. This feeling is based upon a conviction that it will be hours before dividends are resumed aon the common stock, because every conservative financier is now ready to say that dividends should never have been paid on this stock until a very ample surplus had been accumulated. The market value of the common stock, therefore, will depend largely upon purely speculative operations, and will naturally rule lower than it would have done if no dividend had ever been declared, because there will be nothing to look forward to. As to the market value of the preferred stock, there is likely to be doubt as to the maintenance of dividends at the present rate until it is seen that a radical change has taken place in the iron trade as a whole. The current quarter has heretofore been the smallest of the year. In 1902 the earnings for the first three months amounted to $26,715,000, and for the first three months of 1903 they amounted to $25,068,000. During the last named period freight embargoes interfered with business, but as an offset prices averaged considerably higher. In so large a corporation there are many things which may upset the layman's calculations. For instance, the Frick Coke Company withdrew from the foundry trade at the beginning of 1903, whereas it is now booking this class of business and the corporation will again reap a source of profit that was absent during the first quarter of last year. Still, investors will not feel buying the preferred stock confidently until after it is seen what the earnings for the ensuing three months will be. If these should fall to or below the $14,848,000 reported yesterday, doubt will be entertained as to the ability to maintain 7 per cent on the preferred stock. The reaction which has overtaken the iron trade is more severe than any one called to mind upon. Some of the best posted men in the business think the recovery will be just as rapid, while others hold a different view. The stock will continue to exercise a dominating influence upon the market.

A prominent feature of the day's trading in Wall street was the marking up of a group of smaller railroad stocks in which a common interest is largely dominant. Chicago & Alton, Colorado & Southern, Toledo, St. Louis & Western, Minneapolis & St. Louis and Iowa Central were all included in the group, and Chicago Intermodal Transfer might be added. Rumors to explain the rise varied from a transcontinental railway project to embrace Union Pacific, Chicago & Alton, Toledo, St. Louis & Western and Erie, to a combination of the smaller roads into one property after the manner of the Rock Island system. No authoritative information could be had on any of the rumors.

The sale of River Coal preferred at 27 cash carried the semi-annual dividend of 3½ per cent, which was equivalent to 27 per cent. At the time of the transaction it was not generally known that the directors had declared the regular dividend. The latter is payable January 15 to holders of record January 5. A considerable portion of this money will go into the treasury of the Pittsburgh Coal Company, which is now operating the plant through ownership of a controlling interest in the stock. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the River Coal Company will be held at noon on January 20.

Only 30 shares Manufacturers Light and Heat changed hands yesterday at unchanged prices. None of the other natural gas stocks changed hands and prices were nominally unchanged. The revenues of the various companies this month promise to be record-breakers, owing to the cold weather, which generally increases consumption.

National Fire Proofing preferred rallied 50 cents a share to 22¾. There were no transactions in the common.

Pittsburgh Coal preferred closed firmer at 58¾ bid. The street feels that the declaration of the regular dividend on River Coal preferred assures the similar action by the Pittsburgh directors this week.

Airbrake rallied to 140 just before the close. Electric advanced to 84, reacted to 82¾, but recovered to 83¼ at the close.

The directors of the Consolidated Ice Company yesterday declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent on the preferred stock, payable January 20 to stock of record January 10.

The Fraser Oil and Gas Company of Florence, Col., has just declared a dividend of 20 per cent, and expects to maintain that rate quarterly during 1904.

The Salt Lake Tribune says: "After an examination of the field near Farmington, W. R. Rumbaugh, chief of the expert staff of Guffey & Galey, the Pittsburgh oil operators, who are now ready to test Utah's resources as a petroleum producer, is convinced that the oil is there and that the efforts of those planning the development of the region will not be unsuccessful. Mr. Rumbaugh said yesterday after his trip over the ground that he had received none but favorable impressions as to prospective results. A great country, almost similar to the famous Beaumont fields, is his verdict."

Clearings on the Pittsburgh stock exchange for December were 176,427 shares, as compared with 337,345 shares in December, 1902, and 149,244 shares in November, 1903.

The amount of money in circulation in the United States today is $2,406,945,847, an increase of $17,000,000 for the past month and an increase of $118,000,000 compared with one year ago. The per capita is $30.35, the largest on record.

Amalgamated Copper, with 79,070 shares, Steel preferred with 48,280 shares and Brooklyn Rapid Transit with 37,700 shares, represented one-third of yesterday's total business.

The net earnings of the Rock Island system for November were $1,340,000. For five months since July 1 they foot up to $7,000,000.

The fire losses of the United States and Canada for the year just closed, as compiled from the carefully kept records of the Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin, show a total of $156,195,700. This is the most expensive year from a fire-waste standpoint since 1898, as will be seen from the subjoined tabulation:

1903	$156,445,875	1899	$136,773,200
1902	128,246,400	1900	163,502,250
1901	129,835,700	1901	164,347,450
1900	115,625,500	1902	140,200,800
1899	119,350,000	1903	156,195,700
1898	119,650,800		

The December losses amounted to $17,224,700, that being the heaviest month of 1903. The following table presents a comparison by months for the past three years:

	1901.	1902.	1903.
January	$ 16,574,050	$ 15,022,900	$ 13,160,350
February	12,962,000	21,070,000	16,000,850
March	15,036,250	12,026,300	9,907,050
April	11,782,800	12,854,400	12,549,000
May	22,380,150	14,806,600	14,684,850
June	9,530,000	10,245,100	14,684,850
July	15,740,000	10,028,900	12,830,000
August	8,334,000	7,425,000	8,428,350
September	7,040,200	9,045,700	9,000,450
October	14,741,000	9,670,800	10,400,800
November	12,468,800	10,846,000	15,589,550
December	13,473,400	14,616,100	17,224,700
Totals	$164,547,650	$149,209,800	$156,195,700

Following is a comparative statement of the net earnings of the Steel Corporation from the time of its organization to date:

1901.		
April	$ 7,386,744	
May	9,612,349	
June	9,304,747	1st quarter
		$26,303,840
July	$ 9,580,151	
August	9,810,889	
September	9,272,810	2d quarter
		$28,663,849
October	$12,258,774	
November	9,795,841	
December	7,705,298	3d quarter
		$29,759,913
1902.		
January	$ 8,091,016	
February	7,679,585	
March	10,135,858	4th quarter
		$25,715,457
April	$12,320,709	
May	13,120,650	
June	12,220,362	5th quarter
		$37,662,958
July	$12,041,514	
August	12,102,170	
September	11,930,846	6th quarter
		$36,945,489
October	$12,602,707	
November	10,686,906	
December	8,046,146	7th quarter
		$31,085,759
1903.		
January	$ 7,425,778	
February	7,750,361	
March	9,912,671	8th quarter
		$25,088,707
April	$10,906,294	
May	12,744,324	
June	12,826,000	9th quarter
		$36,476,618
July	$12,384,647	
August	10,929,174	
September	9,000,000	10th quarter
		$32,302,821
October	$ 7,675,141	
November	4,089,501	
December	3,100,000	11th quarter
		$14,845,642

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FEATURES OF THE DAY.

IN PITTSBURGH.

Bank exchanges were $7,191,619, a decrease of $8,000.

Stock market opened weak, recovered part of the losses and closed steady.

Sales foot up 2,880 shares stock and $14,000 bonds.

Regular semi-annual dividend of 3½ per cent declared on River Coal preferred.

Pittsburgh Coal preferred closed firmer at 58¾ bid.

Westinghouse Electric rallied to 84 and Airbrake to 140.

IN WALL STREET.

United States Steel declared the regular dividend on the preferred, but passed the common.

Call money declined to 1½ per cent, the lowest rate for months.

A million more gold engaged in London for import.

Total sales for the day 450,000 shares of stock.

Bonds were irregular. Sales (par value) $1,770,000.

Sales of steel preferred aggregated 48,280 with close at 56¾, high for the day.

COMPLETE RECORD NEW YORK STOCKS

Daily range of prices reported by Money, Henry Sproat & Co., Peoples Savings Bank Building, Pittsburgh; New York Produce Exchange, and Chicago stock exchange and Chicago Board of Trade.

ACTIVE LIST.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
8100	A. T. & S. F.	70	70½	69¾	69¾
200	Do preferred	93	93	93	93
3400	Am. Sugar Ref.	123	123½	122½	122½
100	Do preferred	117	117	117	117
2600	Am. Locomotive	37½	38	37½	37¾
100	Do preferred	94	94	94	94
2500	Am. Car Foundry	31	31½	31	31½
100	Do preferred	85	85	85	85
2000	Amal. Copper	50½	51⅜	50½	51⅜
2400	Atchison	79½	80	79½	79¾
200	Do preferred	93	93	93	93
200	Atlantic Coast Line	210	210	210	210
100	Baltimore & Ohio	101	101	100½	100½
200	Do preferred	96	96	96	96
100	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	59	59	48¾	49
100	Canadian Pacific	149	149	149	149
100	Central Leather	27	27	27	27
100	Do preferred	91	91	91	91
100	Consolidated Gas	191½	191½	191½	191½
100	Chesapeake & Ohio	50	50	50	50
100	Chicago & Alton	34	34	34	34
100	Do preferred	78	78	78	78
1400	Chicago Great West.	19½	19¾	19½	19¾
100	Do preferred	54	54	54	54
100	Chicago & Northwest	195	195	195	195
100	Chicago, R. I. & P.	147½	147½	147½	147½
100	Colorado Fuel & Iron	51	51	51	51
100	Do preferred	98	98	98	98
100	Colorado Southern	24	24	24	24
100	Do 1st pfd	57	57	57	57
100	Do 2d pfd	24	24	24	24
1400	D., L. & W.	398	398	398	398
400	Del. & Hudson	168	168	168	168
1000	Del., Lack. & W.	398	398	398	398
1065	Do 1st pfd	61	61	61	61
500	Do 2d pfd	49½	49½	49½	49½
1410	General Electric	170	170	170	170
600	Illinois Central	129½	129½	129½	129½
200	Iowa Central	20	20	20	20
1000	Do preferred	50	50	50	50
100	Interurb. Paper	11½	11½	11½	11½
400	Do preferred	65	65	65	65
8870	Lake Shore	197	197	197	197
100	Manhattan	147½	147½	147½	147½
13301	Missouri Pacific	103½	104	103½	103½
800	M., K. & T. pfd.	69	69	69	69
800	Metropolitan	121½	122½	121½	122½
100	Do Securities	88	88	88	88
100	Mexican Central	18	18	18	18
160	National Biscuit	38½	38½	38½	38½
1101	N. Y. Central	131½	131½	131½	131½
4000	N. Y., O. & W.	32½	32¾	31⅝	31⅝
200	Norfolk & W.	69	69	69	69
100	Do preferred	84	84	84	84
410	North American	84	84½	83½	83½
100	Peoples Gas	97½	97½	97½	97½
600	Pressed Steel Car	27½	28½	27½	28½
	Do preferred	81	81	81	81
18300	Penna. R. R.	117⅜	118⅛	117⅜	118⅛
	Railway Springs	21	21	21	21
100	Do preferred	89½	89½	89½	89½
200	Reading	42	42½	42	42½
18370	Do 1st pfd	47⅝	48⅜	47⅝	48¼
200	Do 2d pfd	78	78	78	78
1200	St. L. & S. W.	14⅜	14⅜	14⅛	14⅛
	Do preferred	31½	31½	31½	31½
100	Do preferred	83	83	83	83
800	Tenn. C. & I.	37½	37½	37	37
100	Tex. & Pacific	23	23	23	23
775	Tol. St. L. & W.	25½	25½	25¼	25¼
1200	Do preferred	37½	38	37½	37½
19960	U. S. Steel	11⅜	11⅜	11	11
48280	Do preferred	57	57	56¾	56¾
	Do 2s 5s	108	108	108	108
31720	Union Pacific	89	89½	88⅝	89½
	Do preferred	93	93	93	93
100	U. S. Rubber	17	17	17	17
100	Do preferred	78½	78½	78½	78½
	Do preferred	45½	45½	43	43
700	Wabash	19½	20	19¾	19¾
7500	Do preferred	34½	34½	34	34
115	W. U. Tel.	85½	85½	85½	85½
670	Wis. Central	37½	37½	37½	37½
700	Do preferred	84½	84½	83½	83½

INACTIVE LIST.

200	Am. Hide & L.	2¾	2¾	2¾	2¾
100	Do preferred	11¼	11¼	11¼	11¼
100	Chic. U. Trac.	4	4	4	4
100	Chic. Term. Trans.	4	4	4	4
1900	Do preferred	15	15	15	15
100	Denver & Rio G.	20¼	20¼	20¼	20¼
100	Do preferred	47	47	47	47
100	Det. Union Ry.	87	87	87	87
400	Detroit Ry.	101½	101½	101½	101½
2900	Do preferred	104	104	104	104
200	D. S. S. & A. pfd.	13⅜	13⅜	13⅜	13⅜
200	K. C. & S. pfd.	55	55	55	55
400	M. S. P. & S. S. M.	97	98	96	96
500	Met. Securities	80½	80½	80½	80½
400	M., K. & T. com.	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛
2500	N. Y. Air Brake	137	137	136	136
200	Rubber Goods	18	18	18	18
200	Sloss pfd.	77½	77½	77½	77½
500	Va. Car.—Chem.	29	29	28	28
1300	West. Elec. 2 pfd	108½	109	108½	108½
435860	total sales.				

CLOSING PRICES NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. 2s, reg.	100	L. S. M. united 4s	98½	
Do coupon	100	Mich. cen. gold 4s	102	
C. & O. 5s	109½	Mexican Central 4s	74	
Do cons.	100½	Do 1st inc.	34	
Do conv. 6s, reg.	120	Minn. & St. L. 4s	97	
Do conv. 6s, coup.	120	M., K. & T. 4s	96	
K. & dl. ex. reg.	100	Do 2ds	80	
Do coupon	100	N. R. R. of Mex. 4s	74	
Do 4½s	100	N. Y. C. gen. 3½s	100	
Adams Express 4s	100	N. Y. C. & H. R. 3½s	113½	
Atchison gen. 4s	99	North Pacific 4s	102½	
Do adj. 4s	89	Do 3s	74	
A. Coast Line 4s	104½	O. S. L. & W. con. 4s	96	
Balto. & Ohio 4s	102½	O. S. L. & U. Pac. 4s	92	
Do 3½s	93	Penna. gen. 4½s	107	
Canada So. 2ds	97	Reading gen. 4s	93½	
C. & A. 4s	96½	St. L. & I. M. con. 5s	113½	
C. & A. 3½s	91	St. L. & S. F. gen. 6s	120	
B. & O. new 4s	101	St. L. & S. F. 4s	85	
C. & O. 4½s	96	St. L. & S. F. R. 4s	80½	
C. & N. con. 7s	131½	Southern Ry. 5s	110	
C. B. & Q. new 4s	101	Do 4s	87	
Do Neb. 4s	97	Tenn. C. & I. 6s	107	
Do 5s	114	T., St. L. & W. 4s	74	
Chic. & Alton 3½s	74	Union Pac. 4s	103	
C. & E. Ill. 6s	118	Do conv. 4s	103	
C. R. I. & P. 4s	96	U. P. D. & G. 4s	78	
Do coll. 5s	97	U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	107	
Do 4s	87	U. S. ref. 2s, coup.	107	
C. & E. Ill. 5s	110	U. S. 5s, reg.	107	
Chic. Ter. 4s	93	U. S. 5s, coup.	107	
C. & W. Ind. 6s	120	U. S. 4s, reg.	107	
Colorado & So. 4s	93	U. S. 4s, coup.	107	
Cuba 6s, ex.	104	U. S. new 4s, reg.	138	
Den. & R. G. 4s	97	U. S. new 4s, coup.	138	
Do 1st pfd. inc.	80	U. S. old 4s, reg.	112	
Erie gen. 4s	93	U. S. old 4s, coup.	112	
F. W. & D. C. 1st	101	Wis. Cent. 4s	91	
Hock. Val. 4½s	104½			

New York Curb Stocks.

(Reported by Henry Sproat & Co.)

Amer. Light & Trac.	85	Imperial Mill.	28
American Chicle	95	Hamilton Trust	115
Do preferred	75	Mon. & Ucd.	15
Amer. Gas Co.	30	New Am. Quick	5
Bay State Gas	3¾	Do preferred	15
British Columbia	3	Do preferred	70
Brooklyn Ferry	6	Do bonds	78
Central Foundry	1	North Transit	4½
Do preferred	8	Otis Elevator	26½
Electric Boat	17	Do preferred	71½
Do preferred	40	Rec. Bak. P. Fire	6
Empire Steel & Iron	41	Standard Oil Line	190
Do preferred	85	Do preferred	150
Greene Con. Cop.	57¾	Standard Oil	690
Havana	24	Tennessee Copper	29½
Do preferred	75	United Copper	20¼
Int. Mer. Mar.	4½	Union Copper	5¾
Do preferred	15½	Texarkan	1
International Salt	17	Virginia Knob	8

Philadelphia Closing Bids.

American Cement	7½	Penna. Steel (pfd.	78
American Steel	4½	Phila. Electric	10½
Cambria Steel	18½	Do preferred	45
Cumbria Iron	46¼	Phila. Elec. Co.	5¾
Cons. Lake Supr.	5	Reading general	42
Do preferred	15	Reading general 1st	82
Diamond Steel	5	Sun Iron Co.	30
Do preferred	25	Tidewater Steel	4
Electric Storage	26	Do preferred	24
Elec. Co. of Am.	4	Union Traction	44
Lehigh Navigation	64½	United Cos. of N. J.	255
Lehigh Valley	56	United Gas Impt.	86¾
Lehigh Coal	38	Warwick Iron	8
N. H. Iron & S.	13	Wyalebusch Co.	20
Penna. R. R.	118		

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

Atchison	87¾	Mexican Central	19½
Do preferred	94½	American Sugar	123
Boston & Albany	245	Do preferred	121
Boston & Maine	167	Amer. Tel. & Tel.	126½
Boston Elevated	149	Dominion Coal	51½
N. Y., N. H. & H.	195½	United Fruit	99
Fitchburg pfd.	135	U. S. Steel	10¾
Union Pacific	79½	Do preferred	56¾

Electric Stocks at Boston.

Westinghouse	82	Mass. Elec.	19½
General Electric	171	Do preferred	65

NEWS FROM THE MINES.

Louis P. Larsen of Spokane has purchased the Last Chance mine, better known as the Silver Butte, on Deep creek. The consideration is said to have been over $50,000.

The Gold Hunter mine at Mullan, Idaho, has resumed operations with a reduced force. The company is a Minnesota corporation owned largely by Chicago capital.

The directors of the Lake Shore Mining Company have decided to call for another assessment of a cent a share, or $3,000, with which to continue the prospecting of the property. The sum was first levied by the company some time ago. The assessment is made delinquent February 1.

The new link, which will connect the Tonopah camp with the world without, will extend from Rhoads, on the line of the Southern Pacific, to Tonopah, a distance of about 60 miles, and according to estimates of those in authority will cost $2,000,000. This including the cost of equipment.

Assays on sample of ore from the new strike in the properties of the Calgary and Western Exploration Company out of Golconda show 12 per cent copper and 6.4 ounces silver, with $4 20 gold per ton.

During the month of December the Highland Boy Gold Mining Co. shipped 17,000 tons of ore.

The December tonnage shipped from the Cripple Creek camp amounted to 37,200 tons, valued at $1,050,000. This is a decrease compared with the largest month of the previous year.

The Midas Mining Company, Leadville, through the Midas and Coronado properties, is now making a tonnage of 250 tons a day, and at the same time is quietly adding on equipment and development. Two weeks more will be needed for the completion of the Coronado, the big plunger making about 600 gallons a minute.

The Iron Chief is now reporting its ore to the Reynolds smelter at Leadville, and when its three ore chutes are completed the work of getting the ore to the smelter will be greatly facilitated. The present difficulty in the operations is explained by the failure to get the tracks. When the new plant is in operation it will be able to treat between 200 and 300 tons of ore per day.

Dividends declared by the Colorado gold, silver and lead mines during 1903 aggregated $6,477,179. The gross value of the products of these mines was $44,756,000.

The fifth annual meeting of Stratton's Independence Company, Limited, was held in London, England, last week. At the meeting a dividend of 2½ per cent on the capital equal to $1,000 £1 shares was declared, showing a distribution of $125,000 for the stockholders.

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Spot tin declined 17s 6d in London, and futures were 15s lower at £123 15s. Locally tin was also lower, closing quiet at $29 00@29 50. Copper advanced 6s in London, spot there closing at £58 7s 6d and futures at £57 2s 6d. Locally copper is firm. Lake is quoted at $12 87½@13 12½, electrolytic at $12 37½@12 62½, and casting at $12 12½@12 37½. Lead advanced 1s 3d to £11 8s 9d in London, and the local market was a shade better in tone, though buyers seemed unwilling to operate. Locally the quotation for spot and January ranges from $4 30 to $4 40, the spot quotation being a little higher here, prices ranging from $4 30 to $4 35 in London it advanced 2s 6d to £12 15s. Iron closed at 49s 10d in Glasgow and 42s 1d in Middlesboro. Locally iron was quiet and unchanged, Scotch, No. 1 foundry, quoted at $15 00@15 50, No. 2 foundry northern at $14 00@15 00, No. 1 foundry southern soft at $14 00@14 50, and No. 1 foundry southern so

UR RESIDENCES CHANGE OWNERS

D. R. Torrence Disposes of Euclid Avenue House for $31,000.

NEWS OF BUILDING WORLD

Large sales continue to be confined mainly to residence properties, another bunch of good houses in the Nineteenth ward having been disposed of yesterday. They are four of the D. R. Torrence houses, which were built two years ago by Frank Metcalf, and have lately been put on the market. The houses are located on lots 31.7x100 feet, on the west side of Euclid avenue, near Hampton street, and are reception hall brick dwellings, of frame finish. The buyer of the bunch is a prominent local physician who takes them for an investment, the sale being about $31,000, or $7,750 each. A few days ago six more of the lot of 10 houses were sold for $55,000 through the agency of Cox, Feder & Cox, who are credited with the deal made yesterday.

Kansas City Offers a Contrast.

As showing the relative degree of activity in building over the country, the annual reports now being sent out from different large cities are of more than ordinary interest. Kansas City is one of the cities that has made the largest percent of gain in 1903 and reports the most favorable conditions at present. Her total of building operations in 1903 was $4,707,275, a gain of $1,083,000 over the total of 1902. The showing was somewhat smaller than expected, owing to the June cyclone and the labor troubles. The report says that better buildings were erected both in 1902 and also that more first-class residences were built. In striking contrast with Pittsburgh, Kansas City architects are said to be very busy, more so than they were during the first several years at this season. This is said to be due to the tendency toward lower prices for building material and the more favorable labor conditions prevailing. Local architects, on the other hand, have quite a full book for next years, and many of them are advising their clients to hold off starting expensive buildings until a more settled feeling prevails with reference to wage scales and strikes the ensuing season.

The settlement of the Henry-Mellon contest for ownership of the Hotel Duquesne was the leading topic of discussion among real estate men yesterday. Since the Mellons have won the case and now own the property the question has arisen as to whether the long-talked-of skyscraper for the Hotel Duquesne site would materialize next year. The fact that William Witherow has secured a 10-year lease on the hotel property indicates that no move will be made at present toward a change, especially as the Mellon buildings were remodeled at great expense last year. In connection with this case the rumor that Mr. Henry intends to turn the Hotel Duquesne office building is generally ridiculed, and has received no confirmation. Every hotel in Pittsburgh today is crowded. Every office building, with possibly one exception, is leasing rapidly. The expense involved in a change and the uncertainty of increased revenue would make the proposed venture appear a hazardous one from a financial standpoint.

New Houses for Sewickley Valley.

Four fine residences are to be built at Quaker Valley station on the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago railroad by Samuel McKee, of the law firm of McKee & Reed, to be erected on the hall brick dwellings, costing about $8,000 each, and will be built on lots 65x200 feet, facing the railroad and adjoining the Way allotment. The sites are within the $8,000 class, and among the fine residence sites in the Sewickley valley. Five more houses to cost $6,000 each are now being started by Dudley Liggett on Mary E. White's lot in the Sewickley heights,

HIGHER COURT OPINIONS DOWN

Standard Oil and Pennsylvania Railroad Lose Important Suits.

DECISIONS IN LOCAL CASES

Prothonotary George Pearson received the opinions handed down by the supreme court in Western Pennsylvania cases yesterday, among them a number of important local cases, the history of which was given in yesterday morning's Gazette. The two most important cases were C. W. Stone et al. against the Marshall Oil Company, a branch of the Standard Oil Company, in which the Standard lost, and Edward Godfelder against the P., C. & St. L. railroad, the test case resulting from the Sheraden disaster.

Justice Dean wrote the opinion in the Stone case, which The Gazette reviewed yesterday. Among other things he decides in the Marshall Oil Company the benefit of the alleged fraud.

The Marshall company assumed that the gas and oil lease from Grimes to Askin and from the latter to Stone was not the subject of assignment, holding also that the agreement for a share of the profits was a covenant of the Marshall company and not binding on its assignees. Justice Dean says:

It makes no difference in the application of this principle that the plaintiffs were entitled to one-quarter of the profits of the Grimes well instead of one-quarter of the gas. Defendants' motive in first attempting the fraud was to get rid of paying one-quarter the profit of the product; then with distinct knowledge of the plaintiffs' claim they another and certain evidence of the extent of their responsibility of neglecting to keep accounts. Their only defense now is "We have no accounts."

Justice Dean says that the facts that the entire product was the property of the company and their responsibility consisted only in that duty to account for and pay one-quarter the profits does not relieve their conduct from the application of the same principle as is applied to a fraudulent confession of goods.

The finding of Judge Shafer, sitting in common pleas No. 2, in setting aside the first report of the master in favor of Godfelder is reversed and the action taken on his order affirming the second report of the master. By this course the supreme court awards to the plaintiffs $417,665.99, the sum fixed in the first report. The second report gave them but $27,800.78.

Ample Evidence of Negligence.

In sustaining the finding of the court below in the Godfelder case, Justice Mestrezat says:

We are clear that there was ample evidence in this case to warrant the jury in finding that the explosion resulting in the plaintiff's injuries was caused by the gas coming in contact with fire carried into the building through the sewer from the freight yard, and that the negligent act of the defendants' servants in causing the naphtha to be ignited was the proximate cause of the injuries complained of by the plaintiff.

In the Flanagan will case Justice Fell wrote an opinion approving the action of the lower court in sending a commissioner to Ireland to take testimony. He affirms the finding of the lower court and says there is nothing in the testimony that leads to a doubt of the correctness of the conclusions reached.

In an opinion in the appeal of the Crucible Steel company in the suit brought by James Michel & Bro. for damages caused to the McNeil plant by the boiler explosion at the Park steel works, Justice Dean sweeps aside the contention that the suit should have been against the Park Steel Company, and sustained the lower court in every point except one. That was in allowing the jury to bring in a verdict giving damages for loss of profit by reason of the additional works being closed for repairs, the verdict for the McNeil's being for $46,646.94, and $10,000 of that sum covering the lost profits. Justice Dean says this is contrary to law, as he says that if profit would lead to wild guessing by juries as to probable future profits and guessing almost as uncertain as hoped for profits in the stock market. The $10,000 item in the verdict is set aside leaving the plaintiff's $36,646.94.

Value of Inside Information.

Justice Brown hands down an opinion in the case of the Standard Steel Car Company and J. C. Anderson against J. George Stamm, which was also appealed from Butler county and seeks to compel the defendant to transfer property on the terms of an option given prior to the establishment of the car works in Butler which caused a considerable enhancement in Butler property. A contention raised by Stamm was that Anderson, who negotiated the option, did not speak when it was his duty to speak and divulge information bearing on the coming car works. The supreme court says:

"There was no exceptional circumstance here requiring Anderson to repeat to Stamm the rumor of the probability of the location of the manufacturing company in their town. On the contrary, common business prudence required Stamm to remain silent, for, if he had spoken of the rumor, he might not have been able to negotiate at all. On this very point the learned trial judge says:

"That Mr. Anderson frankly confided to Mr. Stamm the information and knowledge he had, and which was entirely proper that he should have done, it is scarcely possible this option would have been given.'

"The supreme court then quotes from the Liebold case opinion stating that the same is applicable in this case: 'In this commercial age options are daily procured by those to possession of real estate from which they expect to profit simply because those from whom the options are sought are ignorant of it. When the prospective seller knows as much as the prospective buyer, options can rarely, if ever, be procured.'

"The higher court then reverses the lower court and orders a decree reinstating the bill, and requiring Stamm to deliver a deed for the property to Anderson on the tender of $5,000 and the mortgage to secure the balance."

Decision in Byers' Case.

In the Byers case in which Jacob Byers and his nephew of Westmoreland county had a long contest over bonds and cash amounting to $220,000, Justice Mestrezat says the lower court was in the best position to judge of the questions of fact involved and its finding will not be disturbed. On the question of the jurisdiction of the Allegheny county courts in the case it is said that the defendant having sought the benefits of the bills in the case cannot raise the matter of jurisdiction.

The opinion in the appeal of Charles J. Peder from the finding of common pleas No. 2 in granting a writ of error removing him from the board of the Thirty-fifth ward was written by Chief Justice Mitchell. The lower court is affirmed and the judgment of ouster found to be correct on the ground that Peder's term had expired when the petition was filed. The point decided by the court was that in Pittsburgh the time for the organization of the local boards is in June, and that an appointment by a board to fill a vacancy expires at that time. It was held by the appellant that under the general law of 1854 such appointment held until the next general election, but Justice Mitchell says the act of 1868—the provision for classifying in Pittsburgh—is very clear and under it such appointment expires in June. Another point raised in Peder's behalf touched upon the question of whether there being but five members in a board, three is a majority, or whether more than half a full board is required. On this point Justice Mitchell says: "We express no opinion." The question that he refused to decide is the cause of a great many of the troubles of the local boards.

Railroad Had No Contract.

Justice Dean, in affirming the decision of common pleas court No. 1 in the case brought by James Wiegold against the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western Railroad Company to restrain the latter from taking his dwelling house for the company's right of way, says: "The position of the railroad company is in no more favorable position than this agent, Baldridge, who did not disclose his principal. Assuming the bargain with Baldridge to have been exactly as appellant avers it was, more than six months after, when the railroad company, a stranger, demanded a deed for the same consideration he had agreed to accept from Baldridge, even supposing there was a moral obligation on Wiegold after that lapse of time, to accept the original price from Baldridge, he might well refuse himself from that obligation by saying 'I did not agree to accept that price from any other who might be willing to pay it to me.'

Justice Dean says that Baldridge made no contract which Wiegold could have enforced and that Wiegold had no contract with the railroad company by which he could enforce.

Wiegold's house was on Perry street and when the railroad company was locating its right of way one Baldridge, an agent of the company, made an oral contract with him for the purchase of the property for $8,500. When the real purchaser was made known Wiegold refused to sell for less than $18,000 claiming the property was exempt under the general railroad act of 1849.

No opinions were filed in the Dr. Doty will case, the Platt case or in the cases of several newspapers against trading, growing out of letting advertising contracts.

No decision was rendered in the case of Sullivan and others against Jones & Laughlin, involving the ore dust nuisance in and about Lawrenceville. The following court decided several cases of a minor nature for the steel company. It is probable the supreme court will hold up this case until its next session.

Postmasters Short in Accounts.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The secretary of the treasury today transmitted to the house a statement of the accounts of postmasters who have retired from office during the year and who are short in their accounts. The total shortage amounts to $23,454, and is divided among 109 postmasters.

Sidney Van Dusen Resigns Place With Rock Island-Frisco System

Sidney Van Dusen, one of the best known of the traveling passenger agents of Pittsburgh, and for several years active in the affairs of the American Association of Traveling Passenger Agents, yesterday tendered his resignation to General Agent D. H. Maloney of the Rock Island-Frisco system, to be effective January 15. Mr. Van Dusen will enter independently into the land and immigration business, with offices in the Lewis block, Pittsburgh, his main attention being devoted to the colonization of the southwest, a plan which is being developed energetically by the railroads of that section and with which he is thoroughly familiar on account of his connection for several years with the Frisco system.

SIDNEY VAN DUSEN,
Who Has Resigned as Traveling Passenger Agent of the Rock Island-Frisco System.

Mr. Van Dusen is now 29 years of age. He was born in Cincinnati, but came to Pittsburgh when his father, Frank Van Dusen, was chosen chief assistant general passenger agent of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh. His first railroad service was in the field and rate department of the Pennsylvania lines' general passenger offices. In June, 1894, he was appointed city passenger agent of the Rock Island at Denver under General Agent W. H. Firth. In April, 1895, he returned to Pittsburgh to re-enter the Pennsylvania lines' rate department, and in April, 1898, he was appointed traveling passenger agent of the old Toledo route. This position he held until the consolidation of the Rock Island and 'Frisco traffic departments, effective January 1. At that time he was made traveling passenger agent of the combined systems, traveling west of Pittsburgh under General Agent Maloney, while Phil A. Auer covers the territory east of this city.

Lorec's Salary Said to Be $75,000.

No less than $75,000 per annum, the largest salary paid to any railroad official, is that given to L. F. Loree as president of the Rock Island system, according to statements made by railroad officials here. Mr. Loree has not only this distinction, but the further distinction of heading what is probably the largest unified railroad system in the world. It is said that close to 20,000 miles are now included in the Rock Island, and this entire stretch of mileage, equal to four-fifths the distance around the world at the equator, will be under his direction. The quick rise to this high position by the former Pittsburgher has given him a great amount of attention from all interested in railroad matters than is being given at present to any other individual in the American railway service. It has been but a few years since he occupied the position of an under operating official on the Pennsylvania lines.

Reorganizing Old B. B. & K.

A meeting of those interested in the old Bradford, Bordell & Kinzua railroad is to be held today at Bradford, when important steps toward the rebuilding of that road will be taken. As recently noted in The Gazette, the line has been absorbed by the growing lookout interests of Buffalo, which are reaching steadily southward toward Pittsburgh from Buffalo and the Northern Pennsylvania lumber country. The name of the road is to be changed, "Buffalo" being inserted in place of "Bordell." To connect with the other lines of the Goodyear system, it is expected that this road will be made standard gauge. It is now a narrow gauge line. The Bradford, Bordell & Kinzua has had a rather exciting career, full of ups and downs. It has not recently been operated at a profit. For a time a portion of the line was operated by the Baltimore & Ohio, which it connects with the Butler division. Ex-President Grover Cleveland was interested in the road once.

J. M. Graham's Resignation.

The resignation of J. M. Graham from the position of chief engineer of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad has been reported as meaning that he will accept the newly created vice presidency of the Erie railroad. It has also been stated that he will be made a vice president of the Baltimore & Ohio, the other two vice presidents being advanced following the election of Lewis G. Murray to the presidency. This would make Mr. Graham third vice president. He is recognized as one of the most capable railroad engineers in the country and to him is largely due the success which has followed the efforts of practically rebuilding the Baltimore & Ohio railroad in the past six years. It was understood that some friction had arisen between Mr. Graham and ex-President Leech, hence the accession of Mr. Murray to the presidency was expected to quiet this and result in Mr. Graham's remaining with the Baltimore & Ohio. It had been arranged that he should have charge of the construction of the joint Baltimore & Ohio-Pennsylvania passenger terminal at Washington.

Many Railroad Men Discharged.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Fifteen railroads in the General Managers' association of this city, report the laying off of nearly 18,000 employes during the last three months. While the majority of those discharged were employed in the maintenance of way department, this does not account for those dropped on seven of the roads, which report "no reductions except those incident to the winter weather." Twenty-two roads in all of the territory of the country report that while their gross earnings for November were $4,230,469 over those of November, 1902, their expenses showed an increase of $2,312,801, making a decrease of $1,679,422 in net earnings.

J. W. Patterson Re-Elected President.

The annual meeting of the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western, which was held here yesterday, developed no important changes. The same board was re-elected and James W. Patterson was again chosen president. This line is the Pittsburgh extension of the Wabash railroad, and, as is well known, is now well on toward completion, with every prospect of trains being in operation in a few months. The annual meeting, like most of its kind, was a mere formality.

Railroad Notes.

The Pere Marquette has asked bids for 50 new locomotives and the Lackawanna for 80, while other roads are expected to add largely to their motive power equipment.

E. D. Smith, assistant general passenger agent of the Baltimore & Ohio, has returned to Pittsburgh after a visit to the general offices of that company in Baltimore.

The incorporation of the Texas, New Mexico & Western, to run from Dallas, Tex., to Deming, N. M., is taken as a Gould project to extend the Missouri Pacific farther to the southwest.

D. A. Huff, the new commercial agent of the Grand Trunk system in Pittsburgh, took charge of the office yesterday. He comes from the Detroit agency of the company and succeeds W. J. Hunter, who has been made general agent of the Grand Trunk at Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The Pennsylvania lines received yesterday morning one of the handsome new cafe cars ordered some time ago from the Pullman Company. It will be put into service on the fast express trains between Pittsburgh and St. Louis. All of the order are to be on hand before the World's fair travel starts.

General Passenger Agent I. A. Robison and General Superintendent J. B. Yohe of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie are in New York in consultation with officials of the Erie railroad regarding dining car service on the Lake Erie-Erie trains between Pittsburgh and Cleveland and Pittsburgh and Cambridge Springs and Chautauqua lake.

MULTI-MURDER KNAPP GRANTED NEW TRIAL

Ohio Judge Said Confession of So Many Crimes Came from Either Fiend of Maniac.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

HAMILTON, O., Jan. 5.—Alfred A. Knapp, self-confessed murderer of five persons, now in the penitentiary at Columbus, awaiting execution for murder of his wife, was granted a new trial today by Judge Swing.

Knapp will be taken from the death house and brought back for a new trial. The principal ground on which the new trial was granted by the court was an alleged error in allowing Knapp's written confession of five murders to be read to the jury. The court held that while part relating to the murder of his wife was admissable, it was not admissable in connection with the recital of other crimes. The court said:

"The confession of so many cold-blooded crimes could be the work of only a fiend or a maniac, and it could not fail to prejudice any person who heard it read."

The court held that the state had failed to prove the allegation in the indictment that Knapp had killed his wife by choking and strangling and that it had not been shown how she came by her death.

Irish Still Want Home Rule.

WATERFORD, IRELAND, Jan. 5.—John Redmond, leader of the Irish parliamentary party, and president of the United Irish league, addressing his constituents here tonight, said that when parliament reassembled the Irish party would continue to demand home rule, the desire for which he declared had not been suppressed by the passage of the land purchase act.

Member of Hague Tribunal.

ROME, Jan. 5.—Signor Biancheri, president of the chamber of deputies, has been appointed the Italian representative on The Hague arbitration tribunal to succeed the late Premier Zenardelli.

A PLAGUE OF THE NIGHT.

Itching Piles and Other Rectal Troubles Easily Cured by a New and Safe Method.

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About one person in every four suffers from some form of rectal disease. The most common and annoying is itching piles, indicated by warmth, slight moisture and intense, uncontrollable itching in the parts affected.

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The only permanent cure for itching piles yet discovered is the Pyramid Pile Cure, not only for itching piles, but for every other form of piles, blind, bleeding or protruding. The first application gives instant relief and the continual use for a short time causes a permanent removal of the tumors or the small parasites which cause the intense itching and discomfort of itching piles.

F. M. Collins of 440 Armitage Ave., Chicago, says: "Some time ago I commenced using your Pyramid Pile Cure for a disagreeable case of itching piles. After using five boxes I consider myself entirely cured of the disagreeable trouble, thanks to this excellent remedy, and I shall never fail to recommend it to any of my friends who may happen to be troubled as I was."

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If suffering from any form of piles ask your druggist for a package of Pyramid File Cure and try it tonight

VATICAN MORE FRIENDLY TO REPUBLIC OF MEXICO

ROME, Jan. 5.—The pope today signed the brief appointing Mgr. Serafini archbishop of Spoleto, apostolic delegate to Mexico instead of apostolic visitor, as expected. This is considered by the vatican authorities the first step toward the resumption of diplomatic relations between Mexico and the holy see.

Roxburghe Leaves Guards.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The duke of Roxburghe, husband of Miss May Goelet, has resigned his commission as a lieutenant in the Royal Horse Guards, known as "The Blues."

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AMERICAN GIRL RULED IN KOREA

Late Empress Was the Daughter of a Missionary from Wisconsin.

DEATH DEEPLY DEPLORED

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The recent death of the empress of Korea calls attention to the fact that she was the only American girl who ever occupied an imperial throne, according to a dispatch received from Seoul at the state department. When Hi Yong, the emperor of Korea in January of last year celebrated the 40th anniversary of his coming to the throne, Emily Brown, a beautiful American girl, the daughter of an Appleton, Wis., missionary, was crowned empress of Korea.

Up to the time of her coronation the new empress of Korea bore merely the title of Lady Emily, in Korean "Emay," but after the coronation she was called empress O. M., or translated into English, "The Dawn of the Morning."

Emily Brown, with true American shrewdness, after the tragic death of the first wife of the emperor of Korea and after the cessation to imperial rank, made it a condition that she should retain her Christian name, although previously only the "first favorite" of the emperor, she nevertheless was always greatly honored by the courts of Tokyo and Peking.

At the beginning of this year, to the surprise of every one, the Korean official gazette announced that the favorite had been raised to the rank of imperial princess, with the full title of empress dowager. The official announcement also stated that, after the death of his first wife, the emperor of Korea had been quietly married to Lady Emily, and, in view of the 40th anniversary the emperor has seen fit to elevate his wife and son to their proper ranks.

The father of Emily Brown was a Presbyterian missionary and the first Protestant to settle in Seoul, the capital of Korea. His youthful daughter, who possesses a beautiful voice, sang frequently in the mission church.

The beauty of the maiden was reported to the emperor and the ruler commanded her to enter his harem, which she indignantly refused to do. Two years later she concluded to move into the palace, after the emperor had promised to marry her.

Though her reign was short her influence was felt everywhere and her death will be deeply deplored.

KING ALFONSO REFUSES TO BE MARRIED TO MARIA

MADRID, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The Epoca writes today that the planned engagement of the young King Alfonso of Spain to the infanta, Princess Isabella Maria Del Pilar, daughter of Prince Ludwig Ferdinand of Bavaria, has been given up owing to the opposition of the king's mother, Queen Maria Cristine, and especially because the king, who is most stubborn, positively refuses to marry a girl he has not chosen himself.

DOWIE SEEKS SOLITUDE BY THE SAD SEA WAVES

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, Jan. 5.—John Alexander Dowie and his party left San Antonio today on a special train for Rockport, where the party is expected to take a boat for Matagorda island. It is said here that the leader of the Zion host will remain on the island ten days. People declined to answer any questions concerning the report that he may buy the island and found a new Zion city on it.

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REGISTER'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the following accounts of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees have been duly examined and passed in the office of the register of wills and clerk of orphans' court, and will be presented to the orphans' court in and for Allegheny county for confirmation and allowance on Monday, February 1, 1904:

No.	Estate of	Accountants	Filed.
2	Berry, Edward	Berry, Edward B., Administrator	Dec. 7, 1903
3	Allen, Richard	Allen, Mary Jane, Executrix	Dec. 7, 1903
4	Mahaney, Kate	Mahaney, Michael, Administrator	Dec. 7, 1903
5	Lafferty, John	Lafferty, Agnes, Administratrix	Dec. 8, 1903
6	O'Brien, John	O'Brien, Ellen, et al., Administratrix	Dec. 8, 1903
7	Lefever, Joseph W.	Lefever, Albert, Executor	Dec. 8, 1903
8	Hill, John J.	Hill, Freeman K., Executor	Dec. 8, 1903
9	Jones, John	Jones, Thomas, Executor	Dec. 8, 1903
10	Lutheran, Thomas	Rush, Mary E., et al., Executors	Dec. 8, 1903
11	Mather, Wm. A.	Ford, Thomas J., Guardian	Dec. 8, 1903
12	Ford, Richard	Krieger, John, Executor	Dec. 8, 1903
13	Douglass, Hugh J.	Dickson, D. S., Administrator	Dec. 9, 1903
14	Gallagher, Joseph	Gallagher, J. D., Administrator	Dec. 9, 1903
15	Schaum, Alfred	Heiman, Charles A., Guardian	Dec. 10, 1903
16	Lewis, Benjamin F.	Lewis, Charles F., Administrator	Dec. 10, 1903
17	Allen, Adeline	Allen, E. J., et al., Executors	Dec. 10, 1903
18	Allen, Adeline	Allen, E. J., et al., Executors	Dec. 10, 1903
19	Wightman, Wm. M.	Wightman, Margareth E., Administratrix	Dec. 12, 1903
20	Bell, Matthew	Noble, Wm., Executor	Dec. 12, 1903
21	McTighe, James J.	McTighe, Anna, et al., Executor	Dec. 14, 1903
22	Rees, Mary C.	Rees, David, Administrator	Dec. 14, 1903
23	Mayer, Henry C.	Mayer, Henry C., Administratrix	Dec. 14, 1903
24	Dooley, Miss A.	Heller, Shasta, Administratrix	Dec. 14, 1903
25	Killinger, Wm.	Killinger, Anna R., Administratrix	Dec. 14, 1903
26	Hunsenmeyer, Joseph	Funk, John, Executor	Dec. 17, 1903
27	Hunsenmeyer, Joseph H.	Funk, Joseph H., Guardian	Dec. 17, 1903
28	Heath, Hezekiah D.	Edmundson, W. D., et al., Executors	Dec. 18, 1903
29	Johnson, Sophia F.	Herron, Annie H., Administratrix	Dec. 18, 1903
30	Cunning, William P.	Cunning, John W., Administrator	Dec. 18, 1903
31	Colwell, Henry	Hollis, J. C., Administrator	Dec. 18, 1903
32	Colwell, Henry	Hollis, J. C., Administrator	Dec. 18, 1903
33	McConnell, Otis Julian	Engel, Andrew, Guardian	Dec. 18, 1903
34	Scott, John	Scott, John F., et al., Executors	Dec. 19, 1903
35	Hunter, Elizabeth	Nappier, Clara, Executrix	Dec. 19, 1903
36	Hunter, Elizabeth	Nappier, Clara, Executrix	Dec. 19, 1903
37	McIlvaine, Alexander	Bothwell, Geo. P., Executor	Dec. 19, 1903
38	McCluney, (otherwise Irwin, Mary	McGinley, Jennie, Executrix	Dec. 19, 1903
39	McCutcheon, Elizabeth	Moore, Benjamin F., Executor	Dec. 21, 1903
40	Trimble, Daniel	Trimble, Isabella, Executrix	Dec. 21, 1903
41	McKee, John	McKee, Kate V., Administratrix	Dec. 23, 1903
42	Patterson, Thomas	Patterson, John V., Executor	Dec. 23, 1903
43	Meredith, Eva	Reymer, Louis, Executor	Dec. 24, 1903
44	Cook, Elizabeth	Cook, William, Administrator	Dec. 24, 1903
45	Harkins, Margaret	Callahan, Mary E., et al., Executors	Dec. 24, 1903
46	Pond, Eliza	Wainwright, Harris E., et al., Executor	Dec. 24, 1903
47	Weyman, Cerrie B.	Sturm, Christian, Administrator	Dec. 24, 1903
48	Largo, Sarah Jane	Largo, Alexander, Executor	Dec. 24, 1903
49	Hall, Anna Virginia	Hall, Cindy John G., Administrator	Dec. 24, 1903
50	Daiell, Elizabeth	Miller, Dorcas S., Executrix	Dec. 24, 1903
51	Williams, L. Halsey, Jr.	Wilson, D. Lee, Guardian	Dec. 28, 1903
52	Griffin, Maurice	Sloan, James, Administrator	Dec. 28, 1903
53	McKeown, Anna M.	Holtzman, I. F., Administrator	Dec. 29, 1903
54	Kuntzing, Jacob C.	Habinger, F. S., Administrator	Dec. 29, 1903
55	Wemsley, George	Wemsley, W. H., et al., Administrators	Dec. 29, 1903
56	Ostrowski, Wallata	Ostrowski, Andrew, Administrator	Dec. 29, 1903
57	Casey, Timothy D.	Ulig, Henry F., Administrator	Dec. 29, 1903
58	Craig, Matilda	Craig, Edwin S., et al., Executors	Dec. 30, 1903
59	Craig, Matilda	Craig, Edwin S., et al., Executors	Dec. 30, 1903
60	Reid, Elizabeth A.	Reid, Robert F., Executor	Dec. 30, 1903
61	Conard, Rinaldo Cassar	Mercantile Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 30, 1903
62	Wilson, Agnes McC.	Mercantile Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 30, 1903
63	Stamiel, Nicklas	Mercantile Trust Co., Administrator	Dec. 30, 1903
64	Hern, Charlotte	Mercantile Trust Co., Administrator	Dec. 30, 1903
65	Williams, Ella	Williams, D. L., Administrator	Dec. 30, 1903
66	Myers, Georgiana	Myers, Georgiana, Executrix	Dec. 30, 1903
67	Vey, Consuantthe	Vey, Benedict, Executor	Dec. 30, 1903
68	Back, Christopher	Kress, John A., Administrator	Dec. 30, 1903
69	Taylor, D. E.	Stewart, W. F., et al., Executors	Dec. 31, 1903
70	Hanna, Jos. B.	Hanna, D., Administrator	Dec. 31, 1903
71	Hanna, Thos. B.	Hanna, D., Administrator	Dec. 31, 1903
72	Sample, Morrison Mack	Sample, Robert F., et al., Executors	Dec. 31, 1903
73	Ford, Benjamin	Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
74	Eagle, Edna J.	Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
75	O'Neil, Wm. W.	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., et al., Executors	Dec. 31, 1903
76	Murphy, John W.	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Executor	Dec. 31, 1903
77	Feeney, Patrick	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Administrator	Dec. 31, 1903
78	Hill, George B.	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Executor	Dec. 31, 1903
79	Traderman, Jeannette	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Administrator	Dec. 31, 1903
80	Pierce, Henry M.	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Administrator	Dec. 31, 1903
81	Gray, John	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
82	Sigmund, Clara	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
83	Salmon, John	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
84	Kirchner, Friedrich S.	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
85	Kirchner, Friedrich S.	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
86	Ridall, Samuel R.	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
87	John, Charles	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
88	Lee, Wm. Freeman	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
89	Houston, Harriet	Craig, Mary A., et al., Trustees	Dec. 19, 1903
90	Houston, Harriet	Craig, Mary A., et al., Trustees	Dec. 19, 1903
91	Doyle, Mary	Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Trustee	Dec. 31, 1903
92	Mehaffey, Chas.	Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Trustee	Dec. 31, 1903
93	Lewis, Amos	Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Trustee	Dec. 24, 1903
94	Selzer, Wilhelmina	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Trustee	Dec. 31, 1903
95	Shafer, Mary Anne	Shafer, James R., et al., Executors	Dec. 31, 1903
96	Marshall, Harry C.	Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Guardian	Dec. 31, 1903
	Pittsburgh Pa., December 31, 1903		GEO. H. STENGEL, Register and Clerk of Orphans' Court

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT.

NOTICE.

Creditors, heirs and all other persons interested are hereby notified that an audit list be made up of above mentioned accounts, (except guardians') which shall show balance for distribution, and all accounts to which exceptions shall be filed, and that such audit will be taken up on Monday, February 15, 1904, and continue thereafter each day (Sunday and Sunday excepted) until the whole list shall have been disposed of.

GEO. H. STENGEL, Register and Ex Officio Clerk of Orphans' Court.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

NOTICE—In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 409, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the grading, paving and curbing of Division street, from Hancock street to Clayton avenue, Second ward.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the court viewers in the foregoing matter, hereby give notice that they will on the 20th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., meet on the line of the said improvement, at the corner of Division street and Hancock street, proceeding thence over the line of said improvement, viewing the same, and the premises affected thereby, and will hear all parties interested therein and their witnesses.

E. E. PHILLIPS,
C. C. LEAN,
JOHN SAUERS,
Viewers.

NOTICE—In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 401, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the grading, paving and curbing of Soporis avenue, from California avenue to Stanton street, Eleventh ward.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the court viewers in the foregoing matter, hereby give notice that they will on the 22d day of January, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., meet on the line of the said improvement, at the corner of Soporis avenue and California avenue, proceeding thence over the line of said improvement, viewing the same, and the premises affected thereby, and will hear all parties interested therein and their witnesses.

E. E. PHILLIPS,
C. C. LEAN,
JOHN SAUERS,
Viewers.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

NOTICE—In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 390, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the grading, paving and curbing of Norman street, from Buena Vista street to Overlook street, Second ward.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the court viewers in the foregoing matter, hereby give notice, that they will on the 20th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 10:00 a. m., meet on the line of the said improvement, at the corner of Norman street and Buena Vista street, proceeding thence over the line of said improvement, viewing the same, and the premises affected thereby, and will hear all parties interested therein and their witnesses.

E. E. PHILLIPS,
C. C. LEAN,
JOHN SAUERS,
Viewers.

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Women's $1.50 Oneita Union Suits — in fast black merino—now go at January Clearance Price.....68c

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Now Go at Half Off the Marked Price
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$5.00 Overcoats, now $2.50
$6.00 Overcoats, now $3.00
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$8.00 Overcoats, now $4.00
$10.00 Overcoats, now $5.00
$12.00 Overcoats, now $6.00
$13.50 Overcoats, now $6.75
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For 24c Men's 50c Ribbed Balbriggan Underwear—odds and ends in plain colors—heavy winter weights, now go at Clearance Price, 24c.

For 39c Men's 50c and 63c Fleece Lined Health Underwear—in plain colors or fancy stripes—all seams double stitched, now go at Clearance Price, 39c.

For 19c Men's 25c and 34c Scotch Wool Gloves—also Cloth and Jersey Gloves—odds and ends to close at Clearance Price, 19c.

For 39c Men's 50c and 63c Astrakhan or Kid Gloves—wool lined—odds and ends—some with fur tops—choice at Clearance Price, 39c.

For $1.19 Men's $1.50 All-Wool Sweaters—fancy stripes — choice at this remarkable Clearance Price, $1.19.

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For $2.95 Women's $4.00 Winter shoes — choice from twelve distinct styles—in popular styles and leathers, including patent Ideal Kid, Black Russia or fine Black Kid. Shoes are warranted for fit and make. 1,200 pairs—our regular $4 shoes—now go at January Clearance Price, $2.95.

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